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In the driver's seat

By FRANK J. AMATO

WILMINGTON - "It's different, just different, all the drivers have said that, we do not have the cooperation from the schools, we are on our own," said one bus driver.

"I've gone out of my way to make this a smooth transition" said Transportation Coordinator Jim Gillis.

Some drivers stated that they have had a difficult time reaching the Transportation Coordinator.

"The vast majority of drivers are excellent, competent professional people" said Gillis.

Drivers became concerned that the school department wanted the drivers information and questioned whether the school department had information on the other vendors who do charters. "We don't have the same requirements for charter companies" said Brad Jackson, Director of Administration and Finance for the Wilmington School Department. "The reason is that there are other adults on the bus. I'd prefer not to be going to outside vendors, but Bruce hasn't had the capacity to handle our charter needs. The bus company provides us the bus and a licensed driver," added Jackson. When it was posed to Jackson that he had no way of being certain that the drivers were licensed, he responded "Correct".

"Hundreds of complaints" have been received according to Gillis. "We handled most of them over the telephone," added Gillis. Bruce Transportation claims that they only received 5 letters of complaint, those letters were dated between October 29th and November 5th. "If these letters are there and we don't know about them, how are we supposed to solve the problem" said one frustrated driver. "Many of us have kids in the Wilmington Schools, our concern is for the safety of the children, we can't fix the problem, if we don't get the feedback" said a driver.

According to the contract, "The Contractor with the School Department and the Safety Officer shall administer a satisfactory safety program. Said program shall include, but shall not be limited to, regularly scheduled safety meetings for the Contractor's personnel," the contract states. In September, the Safety Committee was replaced with the Transportation Review Board which consists of Gillis, Jackson, and the Principal of the school involved. Taking Bruce Transportation and the Safety officer out of the loop.

In a letter sent to Bruce Transportation dated October 15th, the school committee said "Since early September, individual Committee members have received numerous complaints regarding late and overcrowded buses as well as canceled athletic events." Gillis stated that to the best of his knowledge never did any Bruce Transportation bus exceed its capacity of 65 pupils.

"I have had no issues with Bruce Transportation or any of the drivers this year" said Wilmington Police Safety Officer Robert Shelley.

Tuesday, the Town Crier contacted representatives of 25 school systems that have done business with Bruce Transportation, the following reflects our survey:

"The first 2-3 weeks under the contract, they (Bruce) didn't know routes, but it resolved itself - resolved, they've been good since".

"They are extremely flexible, there were a couple of overcrowded buses and we worked with them to devise a solution, we're very pleased."

"They are fighting a tight labor market, but are doing fine"

"They were outbid last time the contract was up, but did an exceptional job and if they were the low bidder there would have been no

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ZACHERY GALASSO, a kindergarten student at the Boutwell School wore his father's shirt as a smock as he created his rendition of a Christmas Tree. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



"WE ARE BRUCE TRANSPORTATION" say 13 Wilmington drivers. The drivers are upset over the negative publicity about Bruce Transportation. Some drivers say that if Bruce leaves, they may not stay with a new company. Many of the drivers claim the situation is purely political. (Frank Amato photo)

School committee Parents protest for Strings Attached

By ERIN DOWNING

WILMINGTON - The parents and students who have been voicing their concern for the Strings Attached music program and its leader, Ward Dilmore, received a public show of support from Carol Hayes, President of the Wilmington Teachers Association (WTA), at the school board's Dec. 9 meeting.

In a room packed with about 40 Strings supporters, Hayes read from a letter that stated the lack of a Strings stipend remains a puzzle. "We have been requesting this for over three years," she said.

According to Hayes, the stipend

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Selectmen table Car Mart license

By SEAN DEVLIN

WILMINGTON - In light of complaints from abutting residents and next week's hearing, the Board of Selectmen voted Monday night to table a decision to renew a local auto dealership's garage licenses.

The dealership in question is Car Mart Subaru on 275 Main St., where auto body work is also performed. For months now, residents have been concerned about the strong odor of auto paint that has wafted over their Brand Street neighborhood and the effects the fumes may have on them and their children's health.

According to Health Director Greg Erickson, the Board of

Health issued an order to the dealership this summer to resolve the odor problem within 30 days. Since, the board has mailed a second letter and again asked Car Mart Subaru to abate the nuisance to nearby residents. The case will be heard in Middlesex Superior Court on Dec. 22.

"Car Mart has not lived up to their responsibility as a dealership," said Town Manager Michael Caira, who suggested that the selectmen hold off on the relicensing decision until after the court date. "This has been very problematic from the town's point of view."

One proposed solution to the problem may be to install taller

emissions stacks of 48-feet or higher. However, Erickson said that this may not remedy the situation and the stacks would have to be installed and put to use to make sure.

While the smell is an issue with neighbors, the real concern for many is the possible health hazard of inhaling these fumes. According to safety data sheets of the dealership's, some of the products on site contain isocyanates which could cause skin and respiratory problems with prolonged exposure.

"This is not a nuisance," said Selectman James Rooney. "These residents allege that this is life threatening and we have to take this seriously. To call it a nuisance is inadequate."

Erickson agreed with Rooney that the odors may in fact pose a health threat, but added that the town's health board has limited powers and would not be able to make that determination. Such a decision, said Erickson, would have to be rendered by the Department of Environmental Protection. The DEP conducted a

multimedia inspection of the area on Nov. 13.

Brand Avenue resident Tracy Peterson said that overall there are many areas that she feels that the dealership has shown to operate in bad faith.

"We can't live like this if we can't let our children out," said Peterson who has two small boys who were diagnosed with possible toxic exposure by a Boston pediatrician in October.

The selectmen plan to discuss the issue again at their next meeting on Dec. 28.

Also during Monday's meeting, Water Resource Manager Kenneth Wagner met with selectmen to offer recommendations and to review findings of the Silver Lake water quality study.

"In 1987 things were generally good with the lake," said Wagner of the study that compares readings and observations from the last decade to present day. "In 1998 relatively little has changed."

However, Norma Moseley who has been a lakeside resident for

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Planning Board New restaurant proposal comes under fire

By PAUL HAYES

WILMINGTON - The proposal to locate a restaurant in a soon to be completed retail center at the intersection of Main and Lowell Streets came under fire, and provided the Wilmington Planning Board meeting with an interesting conclusion Tuesday night.

Applicant Robert DePesa and Atty. Daniel Brown submitted a request to the planning board, requesting a change in use for a section of the One Lowell St. retail center. The request asks that an exception be made, allowing Focaccia's Restaurant to move into space designated for retail use.

DePesa already operates the Focaccia's Restaurant at 601 Main St. in Reading.

A traffic impact study submitted along with preliminary design plans indicated that the retail center with the restaurant would generate 62 vehicles exiting and entering the parking lot during peak hours, fourteen more cars than would be generated without the restaurant.

The traffic study also estimates

that 974 cars will pass One Lowell St. between the hours of 5 and 6 p.m., and that 736 cars will enter and exit the parking lot over the course of a day.

For the traffic study, the applicants used figures supplied by the ITE Tripmanual to arrive at their figures.

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Board of Health Car Mart Subaru would erect emissions stacks

By KARIN ROUND

WILMINGTON - Car Mart still plans to erect their emissions stacks at 275 Main Street on Dec. 17, according to Health Director, Gregory Erickson at Tuesday's Board of Health meeting.

Erickson said he was told that the procedure had been postponed from Tuesday. A company manager however has refused com-

ment. Getting their business license application renewed will take longer than that. The Board of Selectmen tabled the issue at their last meeting and scheduled a public hearing on Car Mart's license application for Dec. 28th. The Board of Health has dropped their complaint against

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Tewksbury Police Log

Monday, December 7

Motor vehicle accidents occurred on Main and Bridge streets.

A stolen vehicle was recovered on Christine Drive.

A mountain bike was stolen on Chandler Street.

Police responded to a dispute on Cleghorn Lane.

A South Street resident reported a house break.

Peter Desaulnier, 36, no address given, was arrested on a warrant.

Tuesday, December 8

Police were investigating a case of fraud on Park West.

An argument at a Main Street business was settled.

Checks were stolen on Chandler Street.

A vehicle was damaged on East Street.

Wednesday, December 9

A report of an intoxicated male involved in a dispute on Claire Street resulted in one person being placed in protective custody.

A vehicle was damaged on Patten Road.

Officers were notified that a suspicious man claiming to be from the water department had asked a resident for money to repair a broken water main. The department said that they had not sent any personnel out to homes.

A radar detector was stolen from a car on Highwood Drive.

A fight was reported on Main Street.

Shoplifting occurred at a Main Street business.

Yorth Say, 23, Lowell, was arrested for operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license and speeding.

Thursday, December 10

An argument was resolved on Marshall Street.

One caller reported being solicited by a police program called "Wishing Well." Police said that the town's department has no such program.

A vehicle was damaged on Heath Street.

A hit and run accident happened on Andover Street.

An assault and battery was called in on East Street.

On Hillside Road, a stereo system was stolen from a car.

Another motor vehicle accident occurred on Andover Street.

Anthony J. Perry, 29, Somerville, was arrested for shoplifting and five warrants.

Friday, December 11

A hit and run accident occurred outside of a Main Street plaza.

Police ushered some patrons out of a Main Street restaurant. They

were reportedly drunk and causing a fight.

Mary Jo Gilbride, 34, Lowell, was arrested for OUI (second offense) and failure to drive in the lane nearest right.

Saturday, December 12

A caller said that his vehicle struck a tree on South Street after a rock was thrown at them.

A motor vehicle accident occurred on Andover Street.

On Pennacook Road, a caller spotted a white Pontiac driving up to mailboxes and taking newspapers from them.

A cellular phone was stolen from a vehicle at a Main Street plaza.

Malicious damage was reported on Amos Street.

Arthur L. Griswold, 36, Tewksbury, was arrested for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Sunday, December 13

A man said that he was involved in an altercation with another motorist on Main Street and was punched in the face when they pulled over.

Phillip J. Garrigan, 45, Lowell, was arrested for OUI (second offense), failure to drive in the lane nearest right, and following to close.

Christine Frotton, 30, Lowell, was arrested on a warrant.

Wilmington Police Log

Tuesday, December 8th

Craig Voke, 38, Wilmington was arrested for driving with a suspended license.

An accident was reported on Lowell Street.

Wednesday, December 9th

Accidents were reported on Glen Rd and Main Street.

William Fougere, 54, Wilmington was arrested for OUI.

A restraining order was served

in town.

Thursday, December 10th

An accident was reported on Lowell Street.

Police assisted on a medical aid call on Ballardvale Street.

A hit and run accident was reported on Main Street.

Friday, December 11th

A restraining order violation was reported.

An accident was reported on

Main Street.

Saturday, December 12th

John Shields, 37, Billerica was arrested for OUI.

Paul O'Donnell, 46, Wilmington was arrested for OUI.

Tracy Meiggs, 30, Tewksbury was arrested for operating after suspension.

Sunday, December 13th

Amy Lee, 29, Billerica was arrested for OUI.

Anthony Amabile, 32, Swampscott, and Daniel Gallagher, 27, Billerica were arrested for possession of a class D substance and receiving stolen property.

An accident was reported on Middlesex Ave.

Correction

Due to an error at Woburn District Court, Greg Whitney, 20, Dadant Drive, Wilmington was incorrectly reported as being arrested and charged with OUI. This was reported in the November 25th issue in the court dispositions section.

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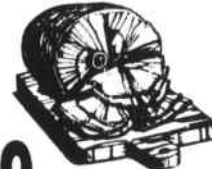
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MCAS trouble parents and educators, but...

Are students concerned?

by ERIC BRASSIL

The MCAS tests have gained much regional and national attention over the past week. Teachers, parents, administrators, and Department of Education officials have been interviewed by every media outlet in the country. The low scores on these tests were not a surprise; yet, they are still a blow to Massachusetts education reform and its efforts to immediately change public schools for the better. Everyone is concerned: parents have been critical of schools, weary of whether they are properly preparing their children; educators and administrators are worried they are not doing their jobs correctly, not pushing hard enough; and Board of Education officials are scrambling to evaluate and recuperate. But, what seems to be lacking in this media blitz are the students. They have been tested, they may be penalized; but do they care?

There is not a simple answer to this question: some do, but most don't. Most are apathetic as they were when they took the test because they neither understood the implications or the justifications for the testing. This is where the problem lies.

When students were testing across the state last year, a pile of paperwork was put in front of them without preparation or discussion. And, like most teens and some adults do, they shrugged it off. They didn't care, they didn't put the effort forth, and the results showed it. They were told very little about the test. Most knew only one fact: they would not have to pass it to graduate. So, they took the information they were given and sat through the test - drawing and doodling on essay spaces, playing the alphabet game with the multiple choice questions; doing anything to pass the time.

Those who did take the test seriously did so to test themselves, not the curriculum. These are the achievers who often do well on tests anyway. They saw the test, viewed it a challenge, and worked their best to excel. Even these students became frustrated with the set-up, questioning, and timing of the test. Some of them, in the end, scanned around the room. They heard Bobby snoring two rows over and could see Suzy sketching something on her desk. A little voice in their heads took this in and thought "what the hell" and their work was done as apathy set in.

Students, however, aren't to blame for their lack of concern and effort. There are a number of factors that contributed to this disease, the greatest of which is misinformation and a lack thereof. Pamphlets, videos, and speakers could have all been used to educate students about these tests last year. Administrators, however, fearing a break of the required time learning codes, were reluctant to schedule assemblies. When students did attend information sessions, they were told half-truths and ambiguous facts. Ask any current junior who took the test last year and 90% of the time you will find that they did not know the format, the difficulty, or the content of these tests before they entered the classroom and picked up their #2 pencils.

Other factors certainly negatively impacted the results of these tests. The environmental conditions these MCAS were taken under has remained a concern. Unlike ETS and the SAT's, the state sent no guidelines to schools as to the procedures or conditions to maintain a proper testing atmosphere. Students at some schools were hoarded into a cafeteria, while others were cramped in a small auditorium. The timing was also left up to the districts and individual schools. While students in Tewksbury might have been taking them after lunch, students in Wilmington may have been put under the gun at 7:20 a.m.; when brain cells aren't exactly at full capacity. This lack of standards only caused more confusion for both test administrators and students, giving students another reason to take a nap or stare at the tiny holes in the wall.

Last week, parents received their child's individualized score report in the mail. These reports were addressed specifically to parents, not students. Do students care about the results; except to the extent that parents are on their backs about them now. Students have been nagged and blamed as pariahs do best in their subtle fashion. Still, they know very little of the implications this may have for their high school, for the state, and for themselves. They haven't been told that these scores will remain on their permanent records (a decision left to the district) nor do they understand the push teachers and administrators will receive over the next few years for these failures. These scores are being used as the baseline for the state's new evaluation system. Next year, if schools are found underachieving expectations, they will be given a time period to meet these standards. If schools fail to meet these levels and students' scores do not rise significantly, drastic measures may be taken and the state may take over. What happened to Lawrence may not be too far away for local schools if great things don't happen.

Students need to be educated now about the MCAS in both preparation of new testing and for the results and the implications that will follow. Students can only be expected to take the test seriously if they truly understand its importance. Students are being tested as is the state wide curricula. We are testing education, but have failed to educate students about the testing. With ignorance comes apathy and laziness is sure to follow. If this cycle continues, results will continue to be disappointing and the educational slump will consume Massachusetts.

Do students care? Yes, it's our education.

Eric Brassil is a senior at Wilmington High School and a regular contributor to the Town Crier



Letters To The Editor

Setting the record straight: "I will not continue to pursue this matter," Ward Dilmore

Dear Editor:

An open letter to members of the Wilmington School Committee:

I have been a proud member of your faculty for 11 years. With your approval of my programs, you and I have built a valuable and dynamic course of study for the students of Wilmington from a beginning group of 12 students in 1987.

For three years, I have asked School Committee to consider me a candidate for three Classification E stipends for after school work with my 300 String students in High School, Middle School and Elementary String Orchestras. The request was consistent with those brought forward by many other departments in the school system who receive Classification E funding to reward teachers for extra hours of out-of-class instruction.

I have given my full measure of service to such after school programs as the year-long British-American Project. The preparation for that enormous program took two years of out-of-class time. Then, building on that success, we had the Italia 98 Concert Tour, enhanced by special night classes taught by dedicated Wilmington teachers. The necessary details and planning also took two years of my personal time. These were programs which you approved and supported and I thank you.

The UNH Master Series with Robert Eshbach, Heather Goodchild, and Mary Rasmussen, I Had A Teacher with Grace Corrigan (mother of Christa McAuliffe), Symphony by the Sea with Alan Hawryluk, An Evening of Elegance with PBS Television personality Mary Ann Esposito, and Live from Lincoln Center's Jay S. Blumenthal Master Classes were all a result of my lifelong professional associations which I gladly shared with your community. They came free of charge to you. These activities required hundreds of hours of my

personal time (time away from my own family).

Like MCAS, I tested my students and my teaching skills in full public view before tough New York judges and returned with Gold Awards from performances at Lake George 95 and 97 (with a 98 average). Your approval was swift and appreciated. But, again, hundreds of hours of outside class time was necessary to achieve this.

And I continue to guide my students in lessons on civics and community pride with the WHS Lawn Sign Project. Hours of work, at no cost to you.

And, very importantly, I have met for several years with devoted parents of my students, returning to Wilmington the first Wednesday evening of each month for Strings Attached Parent Support. We met for several purposes, not the least of which was to form a strong bond between Wilmington parents and your schools.

Sadly I concluded I would postpone several major projects until the Administration and School Committee found my work outside the classroom worthy of the same Classification E support as scores of athletic and academic programs have received for many years. After 11 years of service, and three years of requests, it is my hope that postponing programs would be a way of calling attention to inequities in the system.

Lake George 99 (Elementary and Middle Schools) and France 2000 (Middle and HS) were put on hold. Our yearly tours of nursing homes, mall performances, homeless shelter concerts, the UNH Master Series, and a performance of Wilmington's first symphony orchestra with the Air Force Band (conducted by Wilmington's Michael Donovan) in Salem, MA were put on hold. The planned Dinner Cruise with HS Strings for Wil-

ington Secretaries out of Newburyport Harbor was postponed. It was my attempt to call attention to the programs provided free-of-charge, but not rewarded by Classification E stipends as other after-school programs are.

I stopped attending Parent Support meetings so that parents could, on their own, understand the reasons why the program was not being treated equitably by the Administration. And, on advice of counsel, I stopped attending meetings or answering questions to protect myself from any accusations that I was manipulating the support group for personal gain.

Despite the overwhelming show of support at School Committee meetings from my students, their parents, and friends of Strings Attached, my requests for equity have gone unresolved.

We have reached a point where my students will suffer if I continue to postpone those valuable after school components that made our program so successful. Parents have felt the loss, too, and there is no resolution in sight. We've paid our full fare, but the train to Equity won't stop for us.

But, the silver lining is in a valuable lesson I've learned: I may not enjoy the full measure of support from the Administration that other teachers do, but I have the devotion of 300 students who choose to be in my program. They return to Strings every fall, and the three orchestras continue to grow.

So, I will honor my students' commitment and dedication. For them alone, and in the knowledge that my three requested stipends may never be approved, I will continue to build a Strings program that brings together students, families and schools as long as I possibly can.

In the coming days, I will present Barbara Mette with a proposal for

Lake George 99. I will respectfully request that she approve it with all due speed and send it to Dr. O'Donnell and the School Committee for a favorable vote.

I will also request the approval of a program titled France 2000, bringing together students, parents, and teachers from various disciplines in a cross-curricular program consistent with the Strategic Plan. The program will be based on the successful British-American Project and Italia 98 programs which were approved by Barbara Mette, Dr. O'Donnell, and School Committee in the past.

And, once again, I will be adding hundreds of extra hours after school in service to your community, while being awarded one-half an Elementary Band stipend. I will do it to serve and honor my students because they have honored me, and their schools, with their profound dedication to excellence.

At some point in the future, should you wish to consider my work to be as worthy as the work of others who teach beyond class time, I hope you will reach out to the Wilmington Teachers' Association and resolve this situation. Naturally, I would be as honored as any other teacher to receive Elementary, Middle School and HS Strings stipends.

I will not continue to pursue this matter. The humiliation that has accompanied what would normally be a standard, basic request is far too distracting.

Should you vote favorably for any other stipends in the future, and fail to consider the Strings program, I hope you will at least pause and reflect on the hard work by those who make Wilmington Public Schools Strings Attached an enriching experience for hundreds of Wilmington families.

Respectfully submitted:
Ward Dilmore

Mr. Dilmore cannot be replaced!

Dear Editor:

During spring vacation last year, I had the pleasure of being a member of the teaching team that accompanied Mr. Ward Dilmore and Wilmington's String Instruments to Italy. It was a unique experience and one that I will never forget even though I had already spent much time in Italy studying to become a language teacher. I personally saw a side of the students that I found to be beautiful and creative beyond description. So many of them have talent that may not reveal itself in an academic setting, but is every bit as praiseworthy. It is truly difficult to find words to express the beauty of watching our children perform in beautiful majestic Italian churches.

However, the most outstanding aspect of the trip was observing the relationship that exists between Mr.

Dilmore and his students. There is a mutual respect between them that can be described only as magic. He instructs and guides them with love without ever raising his voice. They, in turn are exemplary in their behavior because they do not wish to hurt or disappoint him in any way.

In recent weeks, it has come to light that Wilmington may lose Mr. Dilmore because an agreement cannot be reached on fair monetary compensation for his work. During this past week, some very dedicated and disturbed parents and students attended the School Committee meeting in an attempt to enter into dialogue about the problem. Students who had graduated from Wilmington High School attended the meeting to show their support. Unfortunately, no dialogue took place. People are disappointed

and frustrated that they cannot be part of a solution that would allow Mr. Dilmore to remain with us.

As both a parent and teacher, I would like to say that I feel we are about to lose someone who is truly invaluable to us. While it may be true that Mr. Dilmore's position can be filled, he himself is irreplaceable. He has inspired students throughout the years who otherwise may have lost their way by

helping them become the very best that they could. What a shame to close the door on a man who has spent his life teaching our children to play beautiful music and to believe in themselves! Hopefully a solution to the problem will be found quickly before Wilmington loses someone so precious!

Respectfully and hopefully submitted,
Dr. Marlene T. Ross

A letter of praise for a bus driver

Re: Noel Fugere, Bus Drive, Dell Drive Route

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Sincerely,
Martin & Catherine Healy

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Tewksbury Senior News

TEWKSBURY - Diane Porter and Peg Perras of Excel Homecare will be at the Tewksbury Senior Thursday, December 17, to speak on current issues on "What you need to know about home health care and prescription drug coverage in 1999." This presentation will be held in the main hall beginning at 3:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

It is hoped that everyone enjoyed themselves at the two COA annual Christmas dinners which

were held last week. A note of thanks is extended to all those who donated items for the door prize table and, a very special thanks is extended to all those craft class ladies who made over 450 hat favors and 40 centerpieces.

Tewksbury SERVE distribution day will be held at the Senior Center Saturday, December 19 from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Registration for the January food package will be held at this time. There will be a couple of new special packages

available in January. For more information on the SERVE program one may call Mary Ann Wareham at 851-3344 or the Senior Center at 640-4480.

This Saturday the Dance Expression will present a Christmas Dance Program for seniors at the Senior Center. The performance will be held after the SERVE distribution and will begin at 1 p.m. All are welcome.

Stretch and tone class will be held Friday, December 18 and will resume after the holidays. A date will be announced next week.

Water color classes, wood carving class, embroidery class, country western dance class and whist will not be held next week. Also, the

Merrimack Nutrition Program will not be serving hot lunches December 24. However, the Senior Center will be open until mid day.

Just a reminder for those who are having a hard time finding the right gift to give that person who has everything - we still have space available on our "Tree of Life," a Friends of the Elderly project which benefits the Senior Center building fund. Engraved leaves are placed on the "Tree of Life" in the lobby of the Senior Center with the message you wish. For more information, call the Senior Center or Mary Ann Wareham at 851-3344.

A pleasant week is wished to all and a Happy Hanukkah is wished to all our Jewish residents.

Golden Age

TEWKSBURY - This is the time of year for merry making and fun. The members of the Tewksbury Golden Age Club just added to it. As is the custom every December we have our annual Christmas party. This year we were very fortunate to have as our entertainers our own Larry Gilbert and Janet Hickey. Larry treated us with a very enjoyable selection of sing-a-long Christmas Carols. Both he and Janet put a smile on everyone's face. He also treated us with some magic, played his guitar and sang. Thank you Larry and Janet.

Then through the magic of Christmas, Santa arrived, helped with the distribution of gifts. Several door prizes were won by some very happy people. Santa said his farewell 'til Christmas eve and next year. The goodies followed.

A word of thanks to everyone who donated gifts for the door prizes and to everyone who helped and a special thank you to our Entertainment Committee who worked very hard to make this occasion a happy one.

By the time this newsletter is read, a whole bus load of us will be back from the Beacon. I'm sure a good time was had by all.

The Ireland trip has been canceled.

Keep checking the GAC bulletin board for future trips.

We are sorry to say we lost another one of our very active mem-

bers. Mary St. Hilare. Our sympathy to her husband Joe and her family. Mary will be missed by many.

Happy birthday and happy anniversary to all celebrating in December.

I wish to extend my wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year to all.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank my board members and my committee members for the help and support given me this past year. The reason why this club is so active is because of all your time spent helping. Thank you.

Rose McKenna, President
Tewksbury Golden Age Club

Senior Menus

Wilmington seniors

Week of December 21

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Over the next few months, California Products will be scheduled to appear before a variety of town boards and neighborhood meetings. We know that we will be given a fair hearing by the vast majority of people. We encourage you to listen to the facts and make up your own mind on the benefits our company offers. Should you have any questions about our plan to move to Wilmington, please don't hesitate to call me at our toll-free number — 800-225-1141 (ext. 229).

Best wishes for the new year,

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President, Chief Executive Officer

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Wildcat Happenings

Wilmington in the mix of MCAS testing

Scores tallied, reveal shortcomings

by ERIC BRASSIL
WILMINGTON- Last week, after the 5-day embargo period for the MCAS results, Superintendent of Schools Dr. O'Donnell held meetings for faculties at each school in the district. Teachers were briefed on the implications of the testing and on how their individual schools fared compared with the district and the state. In a recent Boston Globe survey, the district and individual schools were compared with those in the state. To reach these rankings, the Globe added up the English, math, and science scaled scores for each grade level. Of 208 schools, Wilmington Public Schools placed in the middle, ranking 100. These rankings are somewhat disappointing in that Tewksbury,

BillERICA, Burlington, and Woburn schools facing similar financial restraints as Wilmington ranked higher and did better on the tests. At the fourth grade level, individual schools mirrored these district results. Shawsheen Elementary came out on top with a ranking of 166 out of 1042 schools. Wildwood Elementary trailed just behind Shawsheen at 275. Woburn Street was ranked 464, although it also has approximately 60% of the special needs students of the three Wilmington elementary schools. At the eighth grade level, Wilmington again placed in the middle of the state, but below surrounding suburbs. The West Intermediate placed 131 of 401 schools and the North Intermediate ranked 240 of 401. The tenth grade

students who are now juniors at Wilmington High School also tested in the middle. Wilmington High School was ranked 156 of 310 schools with all scaled scores reported. Although these scores were disappointing to both educators and parents in the district, Wilmington is already planning to take preparation steps for improvement in next year's results. This year's second, fourth, eighth, and tenth graders will all take state evaluated tests in the spring. In fact, this year's eighth graders will have to pass each section of the MCAS tests to graduate from Wilmington High School in 2003. They will have a chance to do this at the 11th grade level and another during their senior year.

Wilmington MCAS test results

	Advanced		Proficient		Needs Improvement		Failing	
	Wilm.	State	Wilm.	State	Wilm.	State	Wilm.	State
Grade 4								
English/Language Arts	1	1	24	19	70	66	5	15
Mathematics	17	11	30	23	43	44	10	23
Science and Technology	6	6	51	42	40	40	3	12
Grade 8								
English/Language Arts	2	3	62	52	30	31	6	13
Mathematics	5	8	23	23	36	26	36	41
Science and Technology	1	2	24	26	42	31	32	40
Grade 10								
English/Language Arts	1	5	39	33	40	34	20	26
Mathematics	5	7	18	17	36	24	41	50
Science and Technology	1	1	15	21	56	42	28	34

Numbers indicate percentage of students in each category

Second grade testing is

Criticized as unnecessary

by ERIC BRASSIL
Despite arguments from teachers and testing experts, the Massachusetts Board of Education passed a resolution Monday which will require all second graders to be tested by something similar to the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS). The test will focus on reading skills, which fourth grade students have fared so poorly on in the past. This decision came after disappointing results of last year's tests were released last week. John Silber, the chair of the Mass. Board of Education, and other board members expressed the need to test children early so that problems can be fixed before the 4th, 8th, and 10th grade levels. Using this test on second graders will hopefully catch any early reading and comprehension difficulties so they can be fixed immediately.

The testing of these second graders translates into 700 thousand dollars for new testing materials—\$700 thousand that many critics say should be used to help failing schools

from the 4th, 8th, and 10th grade results. This decision, if not contested in the legislature, comes immediately after millions of dollars were allotted for student improvement on the MCAS tests.

Teachers and parents have argued that 2nd grade testing is not only uneconomical, but also an unnecessary burden on young minds. Teachers contest that students are still learning at their own pace at the second grade and reading at a gamut of levels. While one child may have no difficulty at all reading and writing, another may just be slower. But, everyone should catch up to the same level by fourth grade. Every student may not have the same reading comprehension or vocabulary, but certainly more students will align than at the second grade level.

Critics also insist that second graders can not test as well as third or fourth graders. Students have only experience school for a year; this coupled with the stress of catching up to other classmates' reading

levels, learning the basics in math and social sciences, and being introduced to a wide variety of material all at once can make testing a heavy load. Not only this, but state educators have very little to evaluate. State curriculum only begins at first grade, so one or two years of knowledge can be tested.

If the board's decision remains untouched, Massachusetts second graders will be taking tests along with 4th, 8th, and 10th graders in the spring. Critics see it as a waste of time of money and of unnecessary stress; but, even these arguments may not convince state officials. Reading must be tested. The only question that remains is whether second grade is an appropriate level to evaluate these students. The board has answered this question as have teachers and parents; only time will tell which side will win. Another page in the ever changing Educational Reform Act of 1993 has been written and still more will follow.

Foreign Language club:

Making a world of difference

By: COLLEEN E. MURPHY
Wilmington - In its second year at Wilmington High School, Foreign Language club has grown to be one of the most popular clubs in Wilmington High School, and has also made itself known for the wonderful things it has done. The Foreign Language club does more than just teach kids about culture, it teaches kids how to take action in helping others.

The club is run this year by foreign language teachers Judith Nowak, and Karen Aruri. It also has a set of very hard working

officers who help make the club very successful. President is Robin Diorio, Vice President is Sabrina Shattuck, Secretary is Maya Persaud, and Public Relations officers are Danielle Meegan, and Nikki Gounaris. The club advisors and the officers work very hard together to make the club more exciting and meaningful.

The club has done many things this year to make itself known in Wilmington High School. On orientation night the club had signs up in Spanish, French, English, and some in Chinese to welcome parents. At

Open House, some members of the club passed out free candy to the parents and the teachers to help make their night a little easier. The club has also had many in school activities and field trips. For the "Day of the Dead" Celebration in Mexico, the club members made skeletons. The club also had a French celebration day, where they sampled some typical foods that would be eaten in France. The Club has taken a field trip to the International Convention at the World Trade Center, and some of the members joined in a field trip to see

Monet.
The Foreign Language club also works hard to make a difference in the world. After hearing about the unfortunate damage of Hurricane Mitch in South America, the club members decided that it would be a good idea to try and raise money. The Foreign Language club helped in raising an amazing \$225.00 for the American Red Cross relief fund. That was definitely something for the club to be proud of. The club members are also visiting Sun Rise

Nursing home in Wilmington where they will be caroling. They will be singing in French and Spanish, and hope to make these people's holiday a little brighter.

The club will also be having a Secret Santa Party on Thursday where club members will exchange presents, and eat some traditional French and Spanish holiday foods. They also want to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season, and wish everyone good luck in the new year!

Wilmington students make Our Lady of Nazareth honor roll

WAKEFIELD - Our Lady of Nazareth Academy recently announced its Honor Roll for the second quarter with several local students honored.

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— Class of 2000
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— Class of 1999
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Playing to a packed house the Tewksbury Ecumenical Chorus at St. Williams Church on Saturday. For 20 years Norm DeMarais has been thrilling the people of Tewksbury with his ability to coax beautiful music from citizens of the town. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



Enjoying the show at the Tewksbury Ecumenical Chorus are Elsie Arsenault, Shirley Orsula, Ora Maxwell, Alice Crispo, Ann Crispo and to the right Richard Leighton. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

1999 hunting & fishing licenses now available

TEWKSBURY - Town Clerk Elizabeth Carey has announced that the 1999 hunting and fishing (sporting) licenses are available at the Town Clerk's office, Town Hall. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30.

All individuals seeking to purchase a hunting or sporting license shall produce either a hunter education certificate or a hunting or sporting license from a previous

year before a hunting or sporting license can be issued. Please be advised that all previous year's licenses are returned to the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife Field Headquarters (508-792-7270), the Town Clerk's Office does not have a copy on file at the office, therefore you should take your sporting or hunting license from a previous year or your hunter education certificate when purchasing a 1999 hunting or sporting license.

30,000 lights aglow

DARE program to benefit from Lester's display

The winner of last year's Town Crier Christmas Decorations contest will be aglow again this year and collecting money for the Tewksbury DARE program. Joe Lester has 60,000 lights on his house this year. With the notoriety he has gained he decided to turn a good deed.

There will be a donation box in front of the home where "Light peepers" can toss money for the DARE program as they bask in the glow. Saturday evening at about 7 Robbie the Robot from DARE will be on hand to greet visitors.

Starting only three years ago, Joe Lester now has over 60,000 lights (with 10,000 on the roof alone) and

figures covering his house and front yard. He currently runs two generators and a 300 amp service to keep the house lit up.

The Lester home is on Cabot Road (formerly known as Carolina Road) off Brown St. near the Wilmington/Billerica/Tewksbury line. From Main St. (Rt.38) at the Tewksbury South Fire Station / Methodist Church go towards Wilmington/Billerica: this is South Street. Follow the road for quarter mile and bear right on Brown Street. Follow Brown Street for a mile and a half and Cabot Street is on your left. Second house on your right; 220 Cabot Road. Can't miss it



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Sarah A. Boudreau
Brendon Cottreau
Audrey A. Cutelis
Stephanie Domoracki
Leana F. Gaudette
Alexandra Kann
Amanda M. Koval
John F. Latta
Amanda M. Levesque
Courtney Lizotte
Miakatri Luteria
Shaylin Major
Teagan S. McCarthy
Robert Rotondi
Allyson Trull
Ashley E. Trull
Jason P. Tully
Eric Webb
Gloria K. Yip

Honor roll

Anthony Amato
Jason A. Bucci
Kathleen Burns
Chad M. Chartenitz
Joshua M. Coakley
Devon Domenici
Brian Fialkowski
Jeffrey Fredricksen
Tammy E. Fuller
Kelly A. Gorham
Maren J. Gray
Kevin Grayson
Ashley E. Hanifin
Alyssa J. Johnson
Zachary Jones
Leo F. Keefe
Patrick Kelley

Aaron King
Kimberly Kling
Ashley S. Long
Donald MacKenzie
Jeffrey Magee
Caitlin Mahoney
Travis J. Marshall
Katherine Martel
Caitlin Mason
James E. McLeish
James R. Moody
Matthew Morrison
Samantha Morse
Katherine Murdock
Katelyn Noyes
Michael Perrigo
Neal C. Roberts
Michelle Ronayne
Craig Schifferdecker
Stephanie Seeliger
Krista D. Serena
Dean Sheehan
Laura Stewart
Thomas J. Strong
Erik Taber
Girbaud Tibodeau
Ronise R. Wheaton

Grade Four

High honors

Hillary Ayer
Fatima M. Borges
Jennifer Carr
Kimberly Cook
Monique Gagnon
Stephany Granoff
Brian M. Hughes
Andrew D. Jarek
Sara M. Johnson
Benjamin Judge
Shannon Leighton
Brendan S. Lovejoy
Heather Murphy
Himanshu Shah
Brian A. Tino

Honor roll

Stephen Alves
Madelyn Bouthot
Ashley N. Bucci
Jessica Carson
Amanda E. Carroll
Matthew Chinchillo
Katelyn Collins
Moiria R. Concannon
William Cronin
Lisa M. Dellorusso
Christopher Dias
Brittany Hartman
John Henry Holt
Jonathan Impemba
David D. Knox
Veronica L. Knox
Lindsay Lafortune
Kevin K. Lee
Laura Lefebvre
Stacey Ludka
Joseph A. Lusardi
Rachelle J. Macomber
Julianne Matley
Erica Matranga
Tyler H. McCarthy
Michelle Mendieta
Brian G. Osterman
Michelle Palladino
Michael Parcella
Pranau Patel
Carolyn Petrishen
Mark D. Pitts
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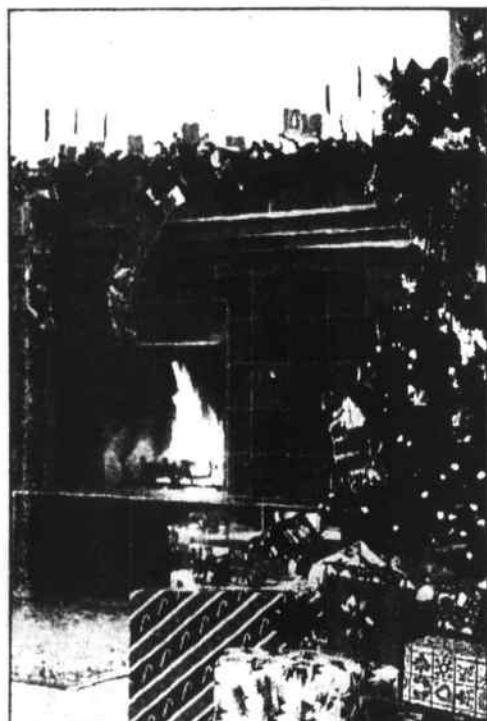
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A word not heard

By PAUL HAYES

Over the past two weeks, I've talked to over 30 different superintendents and school business administrators from school systems which have, or had, a bus contract with Bruce Transportation. These are the words I heard time and time again:

"Great," "No problems," "Dependable," "Easy to work with," "A fine job," "We're very happy with them."

I'm told by my editor that this same company, Bruce Transportation, who are so extolled by other school districts, is accused of doing a sloppy job by some of the powers that be in the Wilmington school system.

Well, I'll admit, I find it hard to believe. But if U2 could make an album like "POP," then Bruce Transportation could have a town where things just don't come together.

But still, all those calls. One superintendent I talked to, an older man from a New Hampshire school district, described the troubles he had when Bruce first handled their student transportation. It was a story that echoed those of other superintendents from Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

He said that when Bruce first began, they didn't do the best job. There were problems with the routes, there were routes being doubled up, there were problems with time schedules. But after a short time, through cooperation between Bruce Transportation and the respective schools involved, the problems were quickly ironed out.

And there's that word - cooperation. It's a word I haven't heard once in regards to Wilmington's problems with Bruce Transportation.

I remember seeing Jan Schlichtmann, the lawyer who John Travolta will portray in the movie version of "A Civil Action", speak at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst last year, and he was discussing methods to deal with large scale environmental polluters.

After he was done representing the families in the Woburn toxic waste cases versus Beatrice Foods and W.R. Grace, he began to rethink the adversarial process he'd engaged in to solve the families problems.

By squaring off with these polluters, he only succeeded making a bad situation worse, he said. But now he is working on solving another pollution problem in Tom's River, N.J. Instead of facing off with the polluters in a court of law, he is gathering the polluters and those residents who must live with the pollution together, to work side by side to find a solution to a problem which affects both sides.

Cooperation. What's this got to do with Wilmington School's and Bruce Transportation? Well, if both sides stopped sniping at one another, and worked together to find a solution, I'm sure the buses could be running smoothly in no time.

But things can stay they way they are now, the fighting could continue, and I'm sure we'd have a story a week detailing another wrong turn in this "Speed" movie come to life. But look on the bright side, some people actually liked the new U2 album.

Jeanette Tighe elected as director of Mass Realtors

WALTHAM - Jeanette Tighe, a broker with Carlson Real Estate BH&G of Tewksbury, has been elected a director of the Massachusetts Association of Realtors (MAR) for 1999.

As state director, Tighe will represent the membership of the Eastern Middlesex Board of Realtors on all issues brought before the MAR Board of Directors at its three meetings. In addition, she is required to attend regional caucuses held periodically throughout the year, and is responsible for keeping the local REALTOR membership informed on public policy issues, financial matters and organizational activities conducted by the state association.

A REALTOR since 1986, Tighe currently serves on the EMAR Board as secretary/clerk and is

chairman of REALTOR Community Service Committee. In addition, she has been installed as the 1999 president of EMAR Women's Council of Realtors.

Previously a state director last year, in 1998, Tighe is a past director of her local EMAR Chapter.

She has earned her Certified REALTOR Brokerage (CRB) Leadership Training Graduate (LTG) and Graduate, Realtors Institute (GRI), professional designations.

Organized in 1924, the Massachusetts Association of Realtors is a voluntary trade organization with more than 15,000 members. The term REALTOR is registered as the exclusive designation of members of the National Association of Realtors who subscribe to a strict code of ethics.

Letters To The Editor

An invitation to do good deeds, with a great organization

Tootsie Roll drive

The members of Father Coppens Council, Tewksbury Knights of Columbus, spent many hours of their personal time in the annual Tootsie Roll drive last October.

Despite of the adverse weather conditions, P.G.K. Don Purtell, this year's drive chairman, and his hearty crew of dedicated volunteers exchanged many Tootsie Rolls for a donation for special needs children. An all time record for collections was set at the various weekend masses at St. William's Church, exceeding \$1100 in total.

We're extremely grateful to these wonderful parishioners for their generosity as we are to all of you who contributed at the supermar-

kets, and other locations.

Over \$4,000 was turned over to the state's K of C fund administrators, and much of this ends up back in the community for our own special needs kids each year.

Thanksgiving food baskets

Another wonderful charitable tradition was continued this year by the Tewksbury K of C. In cooperation with the Tewksbury Food Pantry, coupled with our own charity program, food baskets containing non-perishable goods as well as a generous Market Basket gift certificate were delivered the weekend before Thanksgiving to 57 needy households.

The gift certificates were redeemable for a turkey, ham, pro-

duce, or whatever was really needed by these household members for Thanksgiving or another date in the near future, depending on the individual needs.

Several members of the K of C in particular, perform this task annually, simply enjoying the good will it spreads.

A welcome to join us

We're the first to recognize many other fine organizations who also do a fine job in their charitable endeavors, such as the Elks, Kiwanis, Lions, V.F.W., etc.

I'm particularly proud of this group of Knights however. One of my personal reasons for joining originally, many years ago, was the realization that I could be part

of a group that could do so much more together than I could ever hope to accomplish individually.

Many of my fellow members simply amaze me with their continued giving of themselves, their time and their sincere efforts. Their reward; simply gratification they've been able to help others.

If you are a Catholic man, 18 years or older and have similar feelings and goals or simply would like to be a member, able to contribute as little as your busy schedule allows, you're more than welcome to join us.

Come on down!

Submitted by
Gordon Raymond,
Chancellor

I am pleased with the bus driver

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to your article in Thursday's Town Crier regarding Bruce Transportation.

I am writing to let you know that I have a Woburn Street School student who takes the bus to and from school.

I have no complaints about the

bus company. I am pleased with the bus driver. I have known her for a while and feel very comfortable with her transporting my child. She is happy with this bus company and I am writing this letter in her support.

Thank you,
Carol Scola

Neither of my children has had any problem this year

Dear Editor:

I realize that there have been many problems with the bus service currently being used by our school district. This is indeed troubling, however I must say that I have two children who ride the bus to two schools (North Intermediate School and Woburn Street School), and neither of my children has had any problem this year. In fact, my

daughter is extremely fond of her driver who treats the children very well and brings them candy for special occasions.

I do hope that these issues are addressed, yet I believe credit should be given to those drivers who are performing their job admirably.

Sincerely,
Therese Pazdziorko

Out of all the bus drivers I had, she was the greatest.

Dear Editor:

My name is Caitlin Pazdziorko. Last Friday my bus driver, Robin (she drives tigers) told us that we may not have her as a bus driver anymore. She said it was about the bus transportation. She said if we looked in the Town Crier on the back, look under the bus transportation.

My mom already wrote a letter.

I would be very upset and mad if she wasn't my bus driver anymore. She's an awesome bus driver. Out of all the bus drivers I had, she was the greatest. She gives us candy on special occasions like Halloween. She lets us listen to the radio. We would all be very, very upset. Please let the Wilmington bus drivers stay.

Caitlin Pazdziorko

Curmudgeon! Eat popcorn!

Dear Editor,

I am writing to clear up some mistakes in an editorial apparently written by someone calling himself the Curmudgeon, regarding myself and my contributions to the New England Patriots.

First let me state for the record that whoever the person briefly playing this past Sunday, was certainly not me. It may have been this old codger, the Curmudgeon, or more likely the popcorn vender from the loge seating area at Sullivan Stadium. You see the popcorn vender would have had his fingers all oily from the popcorn butter! Get it! Actually, I am sure

it wasn't me as I spent Sunday recovering from a killer hangover here in this city somewhere in the Southeastern United States.

However, if I do get a chance to play Sunday against the Forty Niners, instead of that wimp what's his name punter, and we happen to win, it will be me. If by chance we lose, better check the where abouts of the Curmudgeon! Ho Ho Ho! Remember just keep sending me those checks and I'll gladly stay in the federal witness protection program.

Sincerely yours,
S. Zolack

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Coupons are available at the rec office, for BJ's Warehouse, Sesame Place, Sea World, Busch Gardens plus Disney World and other Florida attractions.

Theatre trips, group rates
(Debbie Cipriani) Boston Pops, Symphony Hall, Sat., Dec. 26, 8 p.m. show, mezzanine seat and bus transportation, \$40 (wait list).

Sesame St. Live, Lowell Auditorium, Sat., Jan. 23, 10:30 a.m. floor seats, \$14 each. No bus.

Blue Man Group, Charles Playhouse, Sun., Feb. 28, 4:45 to 8:45 p.m., \$38. Great seats and bus included.

Cabaret, Colonial Theatre, Thurs., April 29, 8 p.m. show, orchestra seat and bus transportation. Price not yet available.

Evita, Colonial Theatre, Thurs., June 24, 8 p.m. show, orchestra seat and bus transportation. Price not yet available.

Trips
(Debbie Cipriani) Ledyard Ct., trips (Foxwoods), Tues., March 30, April 27, May 25, June 29, August 31, September 28, October 26 and November 30, 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; \$19.

Las Vegas trip, Sun.-Fri., March 14-19, non stop flights, five nights lodging at Treasure Island, two shows, two day trips with luncheons, baggage handling and greeter services, \$590. Optional meal package available. Stop in for more details and availability.

New England Spring Flower Show, Thurs., March 18, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bayside Expo Center. Cost of \$17.50 (adults) and \$16.50 (seniors) includes bus transportation and ticket. This is an easy way to go to town and smell the roses!

Maple Sugar and Shopping trip, greet the spring with this possible day trip in April. Call for details.

New York City day trip, Saturday, May 1, 6:30 a.m. to 1 a.m., \$40. Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Big Apple.

Hawaii cruise aboard Royal Caribbean's new Vision of the Sea May 5-16. Price includes airport transfers, round trip airfare, 11 night cruise (visit six islands), port and departure taxes, all meals and entertainment on board, baggage handling, taxes and gratuities (except on board tips). Pricing differs as to category chosen. Stop in for a flyer.

Niagara Falls and Toronto, Monday through Thursday, June 7-10; \$279 per person double occupancy. Trip includes motor coach, three nights lodging, three breakfasts, one dinner and one dinner/show, sightseeing tours of Niagara and Toronto, boat cruise on the Maid of the Mist, tour escort, all taxes, baggage handling and service charges.

All buses leave from the Fourth of July Headquarters parking lot unless otherwise noted.

The following upcoming trips are full; call to be placed on a wait list. Boston Pops (Dec. 26), Ragtime (Jan. 28) and Titanic (June 10).

Call if interested in and not already on interest list of Williamsburg, Va and Busch Gardens (August) and Nashville/Grand Ole Opry (October).

Help save a program and secure yourself a spot - sign up on time!

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Got a recreational skill? Suggestions anyone? Want to teach, supervise or volunteer? Call 658-4270.



EVERETT - Pope John XXIII High School of Everett, inducted 15 new members into its Athletic Hall of Fame on November 20, 1998. It was a wonderfully nostalgic event as the recipients received their awards in the presence of their parents, friends and members of the Pope John High community. Among the recipients was Cheryl Power Porcaro, of Tewksbury. Pope John Class of 1975. Cheryl is the Team Chairperson of the Special Education Department for the Tewksbury Public Schools. She lives in Tewksbury with her husband, Bill who is also a Pope John '75 graduate, and their three children.

L-r: Cheryl Power Porcaro, Pope John Class of 1975 receiving Hall of Fame Award from Athletic Director Ken Peavey.

"Lights on for Life" Day on Friday, Dec. 18

LOWELL - Area communities will join the Middlesex County Traffic Safety Program and the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau in a major awareness initiative. As part of the National Drunk and Drugged Driver Awareness Month local and state police officers will be increasing enforcement and education efforts aimed at reducing alcohol related injuries and fatalities.

During this month there will be additional patrols, use of new technology and many public awareness activities. "We want people to celebrate the holiday season safely" said Kym Craven, Project Director for the Middlesex County Traffic Safety Program. "Through the joint efforts of many local police departments, government agencies, schools and businesses we feel we can have a positive impact on motorists behavior" she continued.

A major event that will take place during the month is the observance of "Lights on for Life" Day on Friday, December 18. "Lights on for Life" is part of a national program taking place. Drivers are urged to leave their headlights on all day in remembrance of those killed or injured by impaired drivers. This symbolic effort serves two purposes: to give support to families and act as a reminder that we are all vulnerable to impaired drivers and collectively we must take a stand against this behavior.

Area departments are urging all motorists to drive cautiously, use their safety belts and allow extra time for travel during the busy holiday season.

Participating agencies include Chelmsford, Westford, Burlington, Harvard, Hudson, Wilmington and Tewksbury.

Obituary

Debra S. Clark pioneer in the fight against Huntington's Disease

TEWKSBURY - Debra S. (Angelli) Clark, 38, died Tuesday, December 15, 1998 at Tewksbury Hospital following a 12 year battle with Huntington's Disease. She was the wife of Edward F. Clark, III, with whom she celebrated a 10th year wedding anniversary this past April 30.

Born in Fayetteville, N.C., the daughter of the late Henry and Rosemary (Walpole) Angelli. She was raised and lived in the Malden area and graduated from Malden High School, moving to Tewksbury four years ago.

Before illness forced her retirement, she worked as a home health aid.

She was among the first to participate in the study of Huntington's Disease and was a pioneer in efforts to establish and identify the genetic link in Huntington's Disease.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Krystal S. Clark, a student at the Wynn Middle

School in Tewksbury; a sister and brother-in-law, Carol Ann and Roy, Wagoner of Londonderry, N.H.; two brothers, Degli and Luke Angelli both of Lowell; her mother and father-in-law, Althea (Grace) and Edward F. Clark Jr. of Tewksbury; sisters and brothers-in-law, James F. and Robin (Demento) Clark of Sanford, Maine, Patricia and Michael Doucette of Deerfield, N.H. and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

She was also the sister of the late Linda Rea who died in 1997.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. in the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and Main Streets (Rte. 38) Tewksbury Center, phone 800 or 978 851-2950. Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday from 2 to 4 and from 7 to 9 p.m. Interment will be in Tewksbury Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Huntington's Disease Society, 80 East Concord St., Boston, MA will be appreciated.

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The Pines to provide Adult Foster Care

TEWKSBURY - The Pines of Tewksbury has announced approval by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to participate in the Group Adult Foster Care Program (GAFC). GAFC is a program designed to provide assistance with activities of daily living in a residential setting to elderly Medicaid recipients. The GAFC program at the Pines enables individuals with financial and care needs to live at the assisted living community by

subsidizing their income to cover the rental cost and to pay for medical care. The GAFC program is administered by the state division of medical assistance.

In order to qualify for GAFC, participants must have both financial and clinical needs. To learn more about this much needed program, call Pamela Bowen, Assistant Director of the Pines at 978-657-0800.

Susan Lemieux serving on USS John Stennis

WILMINGTON - Navy Airman Apprentice Susan L. Lemieux, daughter of Karen Mauriello of Bernstein Road, Wilmington, recently reported for duty aboard the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis, homeported in San Diego.

Lemieux's rotation to a new duty station exemplifies the worldwide

assignability of Marines and Sailors. This flexibility allows our naval forces to protect U.S. national interests around the world while providing a visible deterrence for regional conflicts.

The 1997 graduate of Wilmington High School joined the Navy in June 1997.

Tewksbury Date Book

Having a hard time: Feeding your family? Call Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline at 1-800-645-8333. The Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Thursdays: 10-11:30 a.m., Mother's Group sponsored by United Methodist Church, corner of Main and South. Call 658-9551 for more information. Note change from Wed. morning

Now-March 31: midnight to 6 a.m., overnight street parking ban in effect on all streets in Tewks.

Thurs., Dec. 17: 3:30 p.m., "What you need to know about home healthcare and prescription drugs in 1999," seminar at Tewks. Senior Center.

Sat., Dec. 19: 10 a.m. to noon, Tewks. Comm. Pantry open to distribute food; 999 Whipple Road. Call 640-4306.

Sat., Dec. 19: Serve New England sign-up, 10:30 a.m. to noon at Tewks. Senior Center, 175 Chandler St. Call 851-3344.

Mon., Jan. 4: YMCA Swim classes begin at Northmeadow in Tewksbury. Registrations are currently being taken. Call 978-863-0304.

Thurs., Jan. 7: Serve New England sign-up 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tewks. Senior Center, 175 Chandler St., Call 851-3344.

Tues., Jan. 26: 7:30 p.m., TMHS Graduation Committee for TMHS "All Night Long," will be held in room B-11, across from the library. Call 858-0965 or 851-3987.

included. No appointment necessary.

Mon., Dec. 17: 5:30 p.m., St. Thomas young people, accompanied by St. William's, will go Caroling at Wilmington Woods and Woodbriar. Those who play instruments or enjoy singing invited to take part. Call Mary Durkee.

Wilmington Date Book

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All day, every day: Free blood pressure clinic at Wilmington Fire Station; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., weekends

Wilmington Library Notes

Celebrate the December holidays

WILMINGTON - Preschoolers and their families took time out of their busy holiday schedule to enjoy a special holiday program at the library on December 9. Debbie O'Connell presented the "Magical Theater" production of "Celebrate the December Holidays" which included stories about Christmas, Chanukah, and St. Stephen's Day.

She delighted the audience with her feats of magic as she made everyone aware of the many holidays that are celebrated in December. This program was funded by the "Community Partnerships for Children Grant" through the Massachusetts Department of Education.

Story Time registration

Registration for the Preschool Story Time sessions for January 6 through February 12 begins Mon-

day, December 21. You may call the library at 658-2967 to register children ages three to five (who are not attending kindergarten).

Food for fines

Please remember that you can clear your fines at the library by donating a nonperishable food item for the Wilmington Food Pantry. Patrons must take in their donation by Saturday, December 19 so food can be delivered in time for Christmas. Thank you to all our patrons who have helped to fill many baskets for the Food Pantry already!

Holiday vacation idea

Christmas school vacation is a great time to take advantage of the museum passes available at the library. Call the library at 658-2967 to reserve one of the following passes:

Museum of Science, Museum of Fine Arts, New England Aquarium, Children's Museum, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Discovery Museum (Acton), Roger Williams Park Zoo (Providence, R.I.).

Holiday schedule

Please note the following holiday schedule for the library:

Thursday, December 24, open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, December 25, closed and

Saturday, December 26, closed.

Monday through Wednesday,

December 28-30, open 9 a.m. to 9

Area Date Book

Having a hard time: Feeding your family? Call Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline at 1-800-645-8333. The Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Upcoming The Merrimack Valley Music Teachers Assoc. is scheduled to sponsor a master class in January and a music festival in March. Watch for details. Call 978-373-4497.

Tuesdays: 5:30 to 6:45 p.m., Seniors 55 and older full course meals and periodic health awareness programs at Lahey Clinic Medical Center's cafeteria. Call 781-744-3414.

Every Sunday: Brunch, all you can eat buffet at No. Reading Moose Lodge, 140 North Street. Call 978-664-8561.

Mon & Wed., 9 to 10 a.m., Lowell Boys Club offers water aerobics. Call 458-4526.

Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs: 7 to 9 p.m., Childbirth classes at Winchester Hospital. Call 781-756-4700.

Mons./Thurs.: 10 a.m. to noon, Family Connection at Pawtucket Congregational Church, Mammoth Rd., Lowell. Includes information, friendship, fun and recreation to parents of young children in Greater Lowell. Call 957-5484.

Tues. Nights at Moose Lodge, 140 North St., No. Reading. Six weeks "West Coast Swing, intermediate/advanced dance instruction. Call 978-772-2195.

Dec. 19 & 26: 1 p.m., Andover Puppet Theatre will present "Cinderella at Grill 93 Restaurant, River Road at Rt. 93, exit 45, Andover. Call 1-888-865-2844.

Mon., Dec. 28: 7 to 10 p.m., TYSA youth dance at Elks Hall. Call 275-5400.

It's that time again!

Dog licenses up for renewal in Tewksbury

TEWKSBURY - Tewksbury Town Clerk Elizabeth Carey, has reminded dog keepers that the 1998 dog license for their dog(s) will expire Thursday, December 31. It is that time of year when dogs (over six months old) must be licensed. The license is valid for one year and must be renewed annually.

The license fee is male/female \$10 and neutered male/spayed female \$10. The Town Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30.

A current rabies certificate must be represented before a dog license may be issued, unless this office has a rabies certificate on file. For your convenience, you may prefer to license your dog by mail; provided that you include the license fee, a current rabies certificate and a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Licenses may start being renewed beginning Monday, December 21, 1998.

Some tips from the Red Cross for holiday safety

HAVERHILL - The Merrimack Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross has announced that it is releasing important safety tips to help people prepare for a safe and enjoyable holiday season. The holiday season should be filled with surprise and enjoyment and following some common sense practices can keep events safer and more fun. "Most injuries are preventable, if parents and children prepare and take simple precautions," said John Licciardi, spokesperson, American Red Cross.

Red Cross Holiday Safety Tips:

- * Use care with holiday lighting, especially burning candles.
- * Decorate only with flame retardant or noncombustible materials.

* Secure fresh trees in a sturdy stand away from heat sources and exits.

Water daily and if you use an artificial tree, be sure it's labeled as fire retardant.

* Test all smoke alarms and replace as needed.

* Be sure wood or coal stoves or liquid fuel heaters are well ventilated.

* Use a designated driver when attending holiday parties.

* Buckle up.

* Enroll in a Red Cross First Aid and CPR course. It's the best gift you can give!

Led by volunteers the American Red Cross is an organization that turns people's caring and concern into immediate action. For more information on safety education call the local Red Cross. It gives people in every community Something To Believe In.

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Social News



Karen Cepulinski to wed Alfred Drandson, Jr.

NASHUA, N.H. - Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Cepulinski of East Glenwood Street, Nashua, N.H. have announced the engagement of their daughter Karen E. Cepulinski to

Alfred J. Drandson, Jr., son of Mrs. Jane Downie of Forest Street, Arlington and the late Alfred Drandson, Sr.

Karen, a 1986 graduate of Nashua High School earned an associate degree in administrative assistant from Hesser College in 1993 and is now employed with Stearns & Wheler, LLC of Burlington.

Her fiancé graduated from Wilmington High School with the Class of 1982 and has been employed with Textron Systems for over 13 years.

Scott Aldrich honored at Belmont Hill

WILMINGTON - Wilmington resident Scott Aldrich, son of Scott and Nancy Aldrich of Wilmington was among those recently honored for their achievements in athletics during the fall season at Belmont Hill School. The entire student body, faculty and staff gathered in the school chapel the day before Thanksgiving to hear Athletic Director, Kenneth Martin and the team captains honor the athletes for their achievements.

In Form IV, Scott received a varsity letter in recognition of his contribution to the varsity football team that took first place with a four way tie in the Independent School League (ISL) with a record of 6-1-0.

By virtue of record, they went on to play in the New England finals, but suffered a loss against the stronger Brunswick School with a score of 26-12.

BIRTHS

AHLIN: Zachary James, first child to Dennis and Jennifer (Orsino) Ahlin of Ogunquit Road, Wilmington, November 21 at Melrose-Wakefield Hospital.

Grandparents include Roseanne Greene and Joseph Orsino, and Kenneth and Dorothy Ahlin, all of Melrose.

AYER: Kyle Edward to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ayer (Michelle Reid) on September 22 at Mass. General Hospital.

Grandparents include Edward and Raymonde Reid of Wilmington and Frank and Ann Ayer of N.H. Kyle joins his half-brothers, Jonathan 13 and Timothy 10.

CAPANO: Cody William, fourth child, third son to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Capano of Tewksbury on October 26 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents include Mrs. Marion Capano and the late Albert Capano; William Smith and the late Rose Smith, all of Tewksbury.

Great-grandparents are Ray and Rita Brousseau, also of Tewksbury. Cody joins his brothers Paul and Patrick and his sister Sara.

DANEHY: Angela Smith and Gary Danehy have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter, Shauna, born November 20, 1998.

Grandparents are Donna Smith of Framingham and Wendy and Bob Danehy of Wilmington.

Great-grandparents include Dave and Mary Hudson of No. Reading and Eleanor DiRusso of Somerville.

DALEY: Shannon Dawn, third child, second daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Shannon (Sharon Milton) of Wilmington on October 15 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents include Mrs. Doris Milton of Wilmington and Bill and Joan Daley of Burlington.

Shannon joins her sister Katelyn, six and Michael, five.

DURLING: Michelle Kathryn, second child, first daughter to Ray and Judy (Seville) Durling of Louisville, Ky. on November 16 at Baptist Hospital East, in Louisville.

Grandparents include Richard and Ruby Seville of Marcus Road, Wilmington and Sandra and Arthur Durling of Andover.

Great-grandmothers are Kathryn Seville of Rosedale, Indiana, Marjorie Durling of Arlington and Muriel Powell of No. Andover.

Michelle joins her brother Brad, two and a-half.

EKSTROM: Justin Joel, second child, second son to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ekstrom of Wilmington, December 6 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents include Phyllis Chase of New Brunswick, Canada, the late Francis J. Stable and Earl and Beverly Ekstrom of Lynn.

Great-grandparents Earl and Marjorie Ekstrom of Lynn.

Justin joins his brother Jeffrey Earl, seven.

FEYLER: Michael Alexander, second child, second son to David and Kerry Feyler of Avon Street, Wilmington, October 9 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents include William and Eleanor Cameron and Robert and Diana Feyler all of Wilmington.

Great-grandmother is Pearl Paradis of Chelsea.

Michael joins his brother Daniel.

FOLEY: Quinton Donald, sixth child, fifth son to Donald and Catherine Foley, June 29, 1998 at Boston Regional Medical Center, Stoneham.

Grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schultz and Judith Foley, all of Wilmington and James Foley of No. Andover.

Quinton joins his siblings, Caitlin, Shane, Brendan, Colin and Drew.

FURRIER: Katherine Rose, second child, second daughter to Matthew and Julie (Hawes) Furrier of Wilmington November 19 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents include Patricia and Thomas Hawes of Peabody and Elaine Furrier of Wakefield.

Great-grandfather is Arthur Hayes of Manchester, N.H.

Katherine joins her sister, Lillian, two.

HADDAD: Nicholas Joseph, second child, second son to Joseph and Maria Haddad of Wilmington on October 24 at Melrose/Wakefield Hospital.

Grandparents include Mario and Pina Molettieri of Wakefield and Antonio and the late Juliette Haddad of Wilmington.

Nicholas joins his brother, five-year-old Tony.

MC CONOLOGUE: Kelly Margaret, second child, first daughter to Allen and Rochelle (Baron) McConologue of Lloyd Road, Wilmington, November 18 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents include Allen Clauss of Florida, Judy Clauss of Pennsylvania and Thomas and Rosalie McConologue of Wilmington.

Kelly joins her brother, Mark, three

RUSSO: Jordan Patrick, fifth child, third son to Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Russo of Wilmington November 29 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents are Marilyn Kopriva of Londonderry, N.H. and George Kopriva of Naples, Fla.

Great-grandmother is Rita Brouse of Salem, N.H.

Jordan joins his brothers Phillip Jr., 10, Jacob 5, and sisters Natalie, 8 and Sydnee, two.

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Obituaries

Dorothy A. Cosman active in Wilmington youth programs

WILMINGTON - Dorothy A. Cosman, 87, of Wilmington, died Thursday, December 11, 1998 at the Sunrise Rehabilitation Center in Wilmington.

Mrs. Cosman was born in a little village by the name of Charlotte's Cove, Guysborough Co., in Nova Scotia August 5, 1911. She was the daughter of the late Evan and the late Elizabeth (Richards) Jones. She moved to Wilmington with her husband in 1946 where she was very active in the community and church activities over the past 52 years.

She was a Past President of the St. Thomas of Villanova Catholic Daughters, was one of the founders of the Wilmington Youth Canteen, Girl Scouts, Brownies, was a Cub Scout leader for many years, a CCD religious teacher and active in the 4-H Clubs.

Mrs. Cosman was the widow of John D. Cosman and is survived by her children John Cosman of Scottsdale, AZ, Betty Cate of Gig Harbor, WA, Daniel Cosman and Robert "Billy" Cosman both of Wilmington, James Cosman of Lake Worth, FL, Susan Durante of Wilmington and Carolyn Capone of Dedham, MA; her brother and sister John Jones and Pearl Jones.



Eighteen grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren also survive.

Her funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, of Wilmington, Wednesday morning followed by a funeral mass at St. Thomas Church and interment in the family lot, Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

Memorials in her name may be made to the Mass. Lions Eye Research Fund Inc., P.O. Box 6050, New Bedford, MA 02742 or Dana-Farber's Jimmy Fund, 1309 Beacon St., Brookline, MA 02146-5252.

Charles E. Mackey retired Tewksbury School maintenance man

TEWKSBURY - Charles E. Mackey, 73, a well known Tewksbury resident, died Thursday afternoon at St. John of God's Care Center in Brighton, following a long illness. He was the widower of Eileen C. (Devine) Mackey who died in 1981.

Born in Lowell September 27, 1925, he was the son of the late Edward J. and Margaret (Flemings) Mackey. He lived on Sullivan Parkway in Tewksbury most of his life and had been a resident at Blaire House of Tewksbury for the last four years due to failing health.

During World War II he served in the U.S. Navy as a gunners mate, sailing the North Atlantic between Europe and the U.S. aboard several Liberty class ships. He was a member of VFW Post 8164, Tewksbury.

Mr. Mackey worked for D.L. Maher Well Company in North Reading and later as a maintenance man at the Oblate Father's Novitiate in Tewksbury. His last

position was with the Town of Tewksbury School Department's maintenance division.

He is survived by two daughters and a son-in-law, Linda and Joseph Francis of Wilmington and Joan Norton of Orlando, Florida; one son, James D. Mackey of Anchorage, Alaska; three sisters, Mary Williamson of Wilmington, Margaret Alleruzzo of N.J., Doris Henault of Pelham, N.H.; one brother, Francis Mackey of Penn.; five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter, Brittany, and several aunts, uncles, and cousins in Prince Edward Island.

He was also the father of the late William Mackey who died in 1978.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 14, in St. William's Church followed by burial in Tewksbury Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of the Tewksbury Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society, 66Y Concord St., Wilmington, MA 01887-2100 will be appreciated.

Bruce A. MacDonald Wilmington High School Class of '74

WILMINGTON - Bruce A. MacDonald, 41, a resident of Chestnut Street, Wilmington, died at Deaconess Hospital in Boston, December 14, 1998 following a lengthy illness.

Born in Winchester in 1957, Mr. MacDonald graduated from Wilmington High School with the Class of 1974 following which he joined the U.S. Marine Corps.

He was employed in the heavy construction industry as a pipe coverer for general contractors. He was a member of Local #6 Pipe Coverers Union.

Mr. MacDonald is survived by his mother Marjorie C. (Zinn) MacDonald of Wilmington, his fa-

ther Bruce MacDonald of Ipswich, and he was the brother of Laurie A. Willis and her husband David of No. Reading, and Stephen A. MacDonald and his wife Kathleen of Wilmington. He was the grandson of Ruth Zinn of Wilmington and uncle of Tyler Willis, Annie Willis and Casy Macdonald.

Funeral services for Mr. MacDonald are scheduled at 11 a.m. Thursday from the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington.

Donations made in his memory to The Palliative Care Center, c/o Health Care Dimensions, 254 South St., Waltham, MA 02453-2207 will be appreciated.

Carrie M. Goodearl at 82, retired cashier

WILMINGTON - Carrie M. (Westcott) Goodearl, 82, of Wilmington, died Thursday, December 10, 1998 at the Oxford in Haverhill.

Born in Reading, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and the late Helen (Ersine) Westcott. She lived in Wilmington for many years and prior to retirement was employed as a cashier in a cafeteria.

Mrs. Goodearl was the widow of Elmer Goodearl and is survived by her daughter Sandra Starr of

Georgetown; her granddaughters Ginger Elaine Christie Cook of N.J. and Rebecca Starr of Bradford; her great-grandson Quinn William Cook of N.J. and her sisters Jessie Killam of Reading and Helen Goodearl of Canaan, N.H.

Her funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home of Wilmington Tuesday morning with the Rev. Ron Grimley of the Wilmington Baptist Church officiating.

Donald E. Gardiner formerly of and family in Wilmington

SANDOWN, N.H. - Donald Edward Gardiner of Sandown, N.H., formerly of Reading, died Saturday morning, December 12, 1998 at the age of 72.

Born in Somerville, he was a graduate of Penacook (N.H.) High School, Class of 1944, and received his BS Degree in Engineering from Northeastern University in 1954. During World War II he served with the U.S. Army Air Force.

In 1945 he began his work career with General Electric, Lynn, in their Aeronautic Engineering Division and retired in 1992 as Manager of Inventory Control.

He was a member of the Society of Mechanical Engineers, No. Shore Chapter #146, Everett and a Past International Director, a member of Horace Chase Lodge #72, F & AM, Penacook, N.H., Cairo Temple, Rutland, Vt. and Church of the Good Shepherd, Reading, where he was a Past Sr. Warden and served on numerous committees including education, fund raising, and vestry.

The proud grandfather of five grandsons, he was actively involved with and supported all of their endeavors. He especially enjoyed

many years of watching and rooting for their various youth and school hockey teams in Wilmington.

He was the son of Dorothy (Baker) Gardiner of Dudley and the late George Gardiner; the father of Leslie and Gerry Berian, Lisa Gardiner and Steve Zajac, all of Wilmington; Carole and Rick Martin of Ashburnham, Cynthia Gardiner of No. Reading and Wendy Gardiner of Plaistow; the grandfather of Michael, Joseph and Andrew Berian and Christopher Gardiner, all of Wilmington and Brian Martin of Ashburnham; the brother of Walter Gardiner of AZ and Eileen Jussame of Dudley.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 14 at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Reading, followed by burial in Charles Lawn Cemetery, Reading.

Memorial donations may be made to the Church of the Good Shepherd Endowment Fund, Woburn & Chute Sts., Reading, MA 01867 or the American Cancer Society, 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701.

Arrangements were under the direction of Edgerley & Bessom Funeral Home of Reading.

Geneva (Downs) Morrison formerly of Wilmington

WILMINGTON - Geneva (Downs) Morrison, formerly of Wilmington, died in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Wednesday, December 2, 1998 following a short illness. She was 62.

Born in Wakefield, MA, October 29, 1936, she was the daughter of the late Phoebe (Carpenter) Downs and the late Glen Downs. She moved to Wilmington at an early age, and was educated in Wilmington schools.

She moved to Oklahoma City approximately 30 years ago where she and her husband (Frankie) co-owned and operated the Hickory Tree Restaurant.

Gene will be greatly missed by her husband Franklin Morrison and her children Mrs. Peter (Barbara) Colbath of Hudson, N.H., Stillman Morrison and Mrs. Roger (Kim) Leeskamp of Oklahoma City. Four grandchildren, Sherri and Christie Colbath and Kerri and Sheldon

Leeskamp, also survive.

Geneva will also be missed by her brothers and sisters, James, Forrest, Francis, and Edward Downs, all of Wilmington; Clayton (Buddy) Downs of Andover, N.H., Clifton Downs of Mansfield, Harvey Downs of Waltham, Stella Flynn of Stoneham, Pauline Russo of Woburn, Charlotte Godette of Haverhill, and Eugene and Donald Morrison of Maine. Many nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.

Gene was also the sister of the late Clession Downs of Tewksbury.

Funeral services for Mrs. Morrison were held Monday, December 7 from the DeMuth Funeral Home of Oklahoma City, followed by burial in Edmond Cemetery.

Donations made in her memory to the American Heart Association, 3545 North West 58th St., Suite 400C, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112 will be appreciated.

Joseph J. Suhanovsky 23 year employee of Town of Wilmington

WILMINGTON - Joseph J. Suhanovsky, 68, of Londonderry, N.H., formerly of Wilmington, died December 11, 1998 at his residence.

Born in Bridgeport, Conn. he was the son of the late Michael and the late Eva (Hague) Suhanovsky. He was a 20 year retiree from the U.S. Navy having received the National Defense Medal, a Service Medal with one Star, the Navy Expeditionary Medal, the Good Conduct Medal Fifth Award, Navy Occupational Service Medal-Europe and Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal-Cuba.

He was a life member of VFW Post 308, American Legion Post 27 and the Fleet Reserve Association. He worked for the Town of Wilmington for 23 years and upon retiring in October of 1991, he was the foreman of the Public Buildings Department.

Mr. Suhanovsky was the husband of Helen M. (Mailhot); and is survived by his step-children Donna Beaudry of Dracut, Michael Dailey and Patrick Dailey both of N.H.; his brother and sisters, William Suhanovsky of Branford, Ct., Gloria Hewes of Danbury, Conn. and Caroline Smith of Newfairfield, Conn.; his nieces and nephews Trudy Ledan and Sharon Albert both of Bethel, Conn., George Suhanovsky of FL. and Michael Suhanovsky of Ct. Mr. Suhanovsky is also survived by five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

His funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home of Wilmington Tuesday morning followed by a funeral mass at St. Dorothy's Church and interment in the family lot, Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

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Planning Board New restaurant proposal comes under fire

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But many in the audience, including Wilmington Selectman and Michael's Place owner Mike McCoy, doubted the traffic study's accuracy.

"If I had those kind of numbers I'd be out of business," McCoy said. "I have over 200 cars come in and out of my lot during lunch."

The added number of cars a restaurant would attract runs counter to the traffic improvements planned for Rte. 129, which include widening and adding a sidewalk to Lowell Street, and rebuilding the Main and Lowell streets intersection to create a more orderly traffic pattern, McCoy said.

"If you dump 200 cars into the Main and Lowell streets intersection, it would be a disaster," McCoy said, pointing to the traffic created by Burger King on Rte. 38

as a prime example.

In response, the applicants said they did not serve a fast food client, such as Burger King or Michael's Place, and did not expect such a high turnover of customers.

At the inference that Michael's Place was a fast food restaurant, McCoy directed heated comments to the applicants.

"You don't know my business, I don't see you in my restaurant," McCoy said. He later apologized to acting chair Carol Hamilton for his remarks.

McCoy said he had no competitive interests in the matter of Focaccia's proposal, noting that as a selectman he had approved a number of common victuallers licenses, but added that, while other restaurants on Lowell Street including Michael's Place and next door neighbor Stelio's had

clear site lines a mile in either direction when exiting their parking lots, One Lowell St. does not.

The applicants claim the entrance for One Lowell Street would be far enough removed from the intersection, and would provide enough site distance in either direction, to allow for traffic to turn in and out of the retail center's parking lot without causing a traffic disturbance.

But the traffic study set the oncoming speed of traffic at 30 to 35 m.p.h., which is likely 10 to 15 m.p.h. below the speed traffic travels at during non-peak times. Oncoming traffic travelling 45 to 50 m.p.h. would greatly reduce reaction times for motorists entering and exiting the One Lowell St. parking lot.

Others in attendance were also concerned that the presence of a restaurant at One Lowell St. would affect the health, safety and well being of residents of abutting neighborhoods.

Placement of a dumpster concerned Matthew Crossen, 8 Kierren Ave., a direct abutter of the site. Crossen said the dumpster threatened to attract mice, skunks, raccoons and "other vermin."

The dumpster is penciled in at the back of the lot, by Crossen's and other abutters properties. Crossen said if the dumpster was not expected to contain food refuse he would not have a problem, but asked that the restaurant place its dumpster away from his property line.

Applicant, DePesa said the dumpster would be cleaned and emptied on a regular basis to discourage vermin.

Crossen also questioned the necessity of another restaurant in an

area already flooded with eateries.

"There are six restaurants to the left, and seven to the right of One Lowell St.," Crossen said. "Do we need another?"

In regards to traffic, many residents of Kiernen Ave. and Molloy Road, also located near One Lowell St., said they took their lives in their hands when they tried to turn onto routes 38 or 129, which the retail plaza would exacerbate.

"There's nothing to slow cars down," said Brenda Finn, 7 Molloy Dr.

McCoy said that a restaurant at One Lowell St. would hurt plans to keep traffic moving.

The Planning Board will take the matter under advisement.

Board of Health Car Mart Subaru would erect emissions stacks

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John Elia. Elia has replaced one septic tank at Middlesex Avenue and hired local installer Ralph Newhouse to replace the second one.

"The problem should disappear by the end of the week," Erickson said.

Although a recent fire temporarily closed Rickshaw Express, 35 Lowell Street, Erickson expects that they could reopen as early as today. He visited the site after the fire, and with the owners, disposed of smoke-damaged food. He also specified what they had to do to reopen. On Dec. 14, he inspected

the location again to verify the cleanup and gave them the OK to bring in new food.

Food storage isn't the reason the Board of Health has asked for a new refrigerator in next year's budget. Erickson reviewed the proposed BOH budget with committee members. It was submitted that afternoon.

"We asked for a new refrigerator," Erickson said, "because the varicella vaccine won't survive in the current one."

The state-mandated chicken-pox vaccine is a fragile one and has to

be held at a controlled temperature. The Board's current refrigerator doesn't have a separate freezer compartment. Every time the door is opened and closed, the temperature fluctuates and eventually destroys the vaccine. All children need proof of vaccination to be admitted to school, and the board provides the vaccine for those who have not received it from private practitioners. The board receives the vaccine at no cost from the state.

"There are people who fall through the cracks," said Erickson.

"The Board of Health provides many vaccines for many people as part of the state-wide disease prevention program." But it's the chicken pox vaccine that needs the controlled temperature. Erickson estimated the refrigerator might cost around \$500 and that the old refrigerator would probably be used in another town office at the town manager's discretion, if the item is approved.

Another item on the budget will help pay to monitor the water quality at the town beach. Geese are the likely suspects behind the

pollution that forced last year's beach closure.

"We have to go weekly," said Erickson about how frequently the water needs to be tested. "Every two weeks is not good enough." Next year's cost for water testing is projected at \$1000. Samples are contracted to an outside laboratory.

"We want to start our sampling as early as May," he said. "We hope to reclaim the lake from the Canada geese."

Parents protest for Strings Attached

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was mistakenly not included in the last teachers contract that was signed by the school board and WTA on Nov. 13, 1996.

"Once we went to mediation, and in the interest of reaching an agreement, this issue was among several that got lost near the end of the process (third to the last meeting it was still on the table)," she said. "I guess if anyone is to be blamed for that, it's me but I emphasize, despite the allegations, we did not take this issue off the table."

Hayes and the WTA are pushing for the music program to be placed at Class E, giving Dilmore an increased stipend. She noted there have been Class E stipend mutually agreed upon by the school board and WTA since the agreement's signing two years ago. Some of them include the Intermediate Junior National Honor Society in 1997 and the Wilmington High School debate club in 1998, according to Hayes.

Dilmore's present contract calls for him to get \$49,102.70 as a base salary and a stipend of \$1,260 for the extra-curricular activities, which is half of an elementary band teacher's stipend. Wilmington's Business and Finance Administrator, Bradford Jackson, said that is how the stipend was set when Dilmore took the position 11 years ago.

Dilmore's contract requires him to perform the day-to-day activities and two concert series - one during the holiday season and one at the end of the year. These con-

certs are still scheduled, said Jackson.

The current contract expires in August.

Dilmore volunteers his time for the extra-curricular part of the program that is not required in his contract, that includes trips to France and concerts for the Chamber of Commerce, among other things.

The students in Strings, which includes 325 students from third through 12 grade, have been greatly impacted since Dilmore stopped attending the Strings Attached Parent (SAP) meetings in October.

Scheduled concerts at the local nursing homes and a Wilmington Orchestra Premier with the Air Force Band in Salem have been cancelled because Dilmore wasn't at the meetings to organize them.

A proposed trip to the Lake George Festival in May and the France 2000 project also face the possibility of being cancelled if SAP doesn't have Dilmore's help.

Addressing the board, Strings member Rick Harris said he joined the program because of the extra-curricular events after being home-schooled for seven years because of a handicap.

"I saw on television how Dilmore goes on trips and concerts, and I wanted to come to school," Harris said. "I just hope we get to go on those trips."

Fellow member Adam Campbell said he has been in various school programs and described Strings as "the best program" he has ever seen.

Selectman table Car Mart license

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20 years said that she has noticed a decline in wildlife in and around the shores of the lake.

"When I first moved there you could hardly sleep at night because of all the bullfrogs," said Moseley. "I no longer hear them. I've read that their disappearance could be a sign of a problem."

Wagner responded by saying that the lack of frogs may be an airborne problem or the result of blue heron feeding in the area

rather than a sign of the habitat's decline. He also added that the only real changes in the lake were the discovery of an exotic plant species and the increased presence of the town's troublesome Canada geese.

Other than that, Wagner said that generally the lake's water quality is excellent.

"It's not drinking water, but it's not bad either," he concluded.

In the driver's seat

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problem"

"The regional director is very good to work with, the are very efficient, I have no complaints"

School Committee Chair Suzanne Rooney, when contacted Wednesday morning said, "I am tired of reading that this is political. There are 7 members of the School Committee and each one of them is entitled to their own opinion. This is not political. There were serious incidents that were brought to our attention, and we had to react to them. If we didn't react to these incidents, we wouldn't be doing our job as a committee. We have a responsibility to

provide safe transportation for all of the children of Wilmington."

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Inside these pages

The winter sports season has begun and inside are team previews as well as scores and highlights of several teams who started their season on Tuesday. Also inside is the Tewksbury High schedules, while, Wilmington's should be in next week's edition.

TYSA Dance

Tewksbury Youth Skating Association (TYSA) will sponsor a youth dance from 7 to 10 p.m. Monday, December 28. The event is scheduled to be held in Elks Hall on South Street.

Tickets at \$4 will be available at the door or may be purchased at Sports Specials II or Power Skating.

A DJ will lead the event with pizza (\$1 a slice) and soda available.

Wilmington Female Athlete of the Year - Michelle McGonagle

By JAMIE POTE

Sports Editor

You could write a book about the games, stats and accomplishments

Wilmington native and Austin Prep three-sport star Michelle McGonagle has excelled in or accomplished.

But the best thing about her is she vaguely remembers any of them.

She goes with the flow with a smile that never quits and an ego that is never displayed. She doesn't care about her 100 plus soccer goals, her 100 plus stolen bases in softball and her Boston Globe and Boston Herald All-Scholastic selections, nevermind, tons of other various awards.

She doesn't care, she just goes with the flow.

Ever since she was a child, McGonagle has always been superior than her peers. Sure the jist of it has always been thanks to her incredible natural ability, but her hard work in every sense and sincerity of the word, brought her over the edge.

"She is one of the most competitive women I've ever met in athletics," said Austin Prep softball coach Dave Grambling during her junior campaign this past spring that lasted to the Division III semi-finals. "It's rare to find someone who is that intense all the time and can carry it from one sport to the another so easily."

"She's the best athlete on the team by far and she's the heart and sole of the team. She has the gift of speed and a savvy for the team," he continued.

As a lefty who excels in the drag bunt, McGonagle started on the AP softball team as an eighth grader, while the program was in its second season. That season and the three that have followed, the team has gone to the state tournament. Amazing. In the past three years, she has batted .608, .632 and .500, (113 hits in 193 at-bats) respectively, while she has combined for eight homers, 60 RBI, and on base percentage of .679. Nearly seven-out-of-ten at-bats she is on base and she is causing headaches to everyone.

Besides her individual stats, she is also flawless defensively, with a loaded arm, terrific catching abilities whether calling pitches, blocking the plate or being a leader, she has done it all and she still has a season to go. She has been a Catholic Central League All-Star the past three seasons, a Lowell Sun All-Star the past two seasons and she ranked fifth her sophomore season in batting in Eastern Massachusetts, while leading the team to consecutive league titles the past two seasons.

This upcoming spring might be tougher though as the team's top pitcher and her close friend Alexis Lawrence decided to go back to Saugus High.

"I was so devastated when she told me," McGonagle said. "Not because we had a legitimate shot to win it all this season, but because

we're such good friends. It was a total shock to all of us. It'll be more pressure but I think we'll be okay."

This past spring during the softball campaign, McGonagle had several remarkable performances during clutch time. Against North Reading she was 3-for-3 with the bat and against Bedford her fine play of blocking the plate kept the team's hopes alive. Ahead 6-5 and runners at second and third and one out, a long fly ball was lofted to center field where Natalie Barbanti made the catch. She fired it in to

Lawrence on the mound who turned and tossed it to McGonagle who masterfully blocked the plate, breaking her pinky in doing so and the game was over, double play and another victory.

Becoming a catcher didn't happen overnight either. Originally she was a pitcher.

"Yeah well that ended when my first pitch went over the backstop," she said laughing.

Besides softball, she has also been the catalyst behind the success of the girl's soccer team (she attributes a lot of her knowledge and success to Wilmington native Bob Paquin), who under three different coaches during Michelle's tenure have gone deep into the state tournament the past few years.

In soccer her long list of awards include: Team M.V.P. and League All-Star the last four seasons including as an eighth grader; M.V.P. of the Catholic Central League this past fall; Boston Globe All-Star and All-Scholastic and Boston Herald All-Star; Lowell Sun All-Star the past three years and a second team nomination as an eighth grader; while, she also reached 106 career points after her junior season and 100 career goals this past fall.

During clutch time of this past soccer season, she scored four goals in the team's opening 6-1 win over Minutemen.

"I don't think about it, I don't want to know how many goals or anything that I have. I didn't even know that I had one hundred until my coach told me," she said.

If McGonagle had ever put on a Blue and White uniform, instead of a Green and White one, it would be a scary thought of what the damage the Wilmington High soccer, basketball and softball teams could have done with her.

With all due respect to the Wilmington players who play the same positions McGonagle does now or have through the past few years, McGonagle could have been that missing link those three teams have been searching for. If McGonagle ever teamed up with Lindsay Bruno as forwards on the girl's soccer team, the scoring highlights and streaks and records would be endless. Sue Hendee could only dream about that pair being united.

How about McGonagle as the point guard of last year's Wildcat girl's basketball team with Kristin Flynn, Karen MacArthur and Meredith Cipriani? The latter three could dominate on the boards and Jackie Eldridge and McGonagle would be unstoppable lighting up the scoreboard. That thought could drive coaches crazy.

How about her best sport, softball? Paul Lyman, the Wilmington head coach has coached Michelle over the years in various summer leagues and he and assistant coach Jake Townsend have taught her more than a tip of the game.

Imagine her as the catcher two years back, with the three current collegiate ballplayers in Lisa Southmayd, Catherine Townsend and Melissa Mather as four of the premier players around? Perhaps Lyman would have more than his two state titles if that were the case.

In either case, fantasy and reality can drive you crazy. In reality Michelle McGonagle is above and beyond any Wilmington High athlete in comparison of pure athletic talent, ability, intensity, leadership and character, nevermind being one of the most gifted athletes seen in years.

And in reality she also drives opponents crazy with her graceful soft touch passes of the soccer ball,

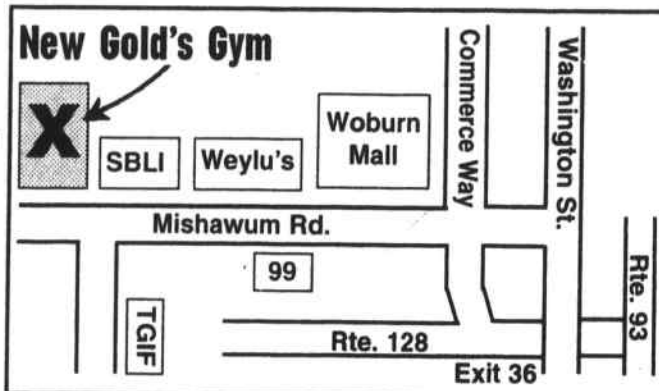
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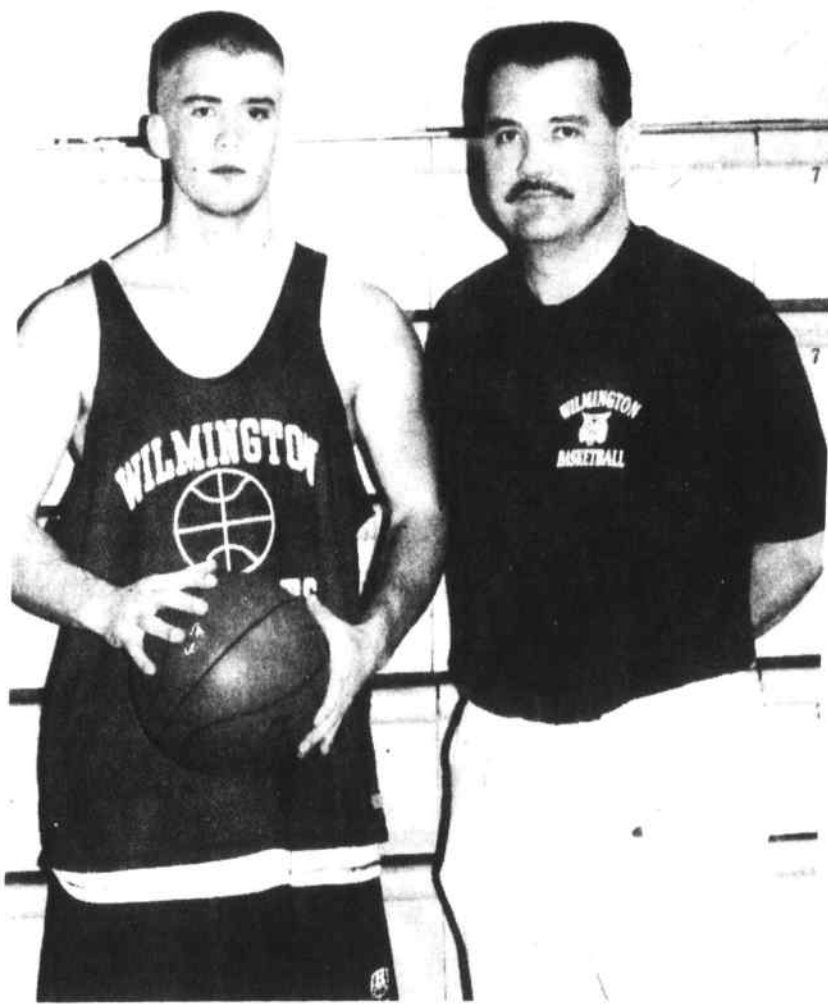
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Wilmington High senior captain Dennis Ingram and head coach Jim McCune hope this year's boys basketball season is a successful one. (Photo by Jeff Nazzaro)

Boys team loses opener

Basketball team hoping to turn things around

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

It's a new era now for the Wilmington High Boys Basketball team. No longer will Scott Swiezynski be posting up and dominating on the boards and no longer will Jeff Arciero be seen diving on the floor for a loose rebound just days after having his knee mangled.

Nowadays, a very young team with lots of potential will be seen and coincidentally it'll be Eric Swiezynski and Darren Arciero as the second and third guns behind senior captain Dennis Ingram.

Head coach Jim McCune, now in his ninth season at the helm, says he thinks if the team can go through the patient walk and constantly learn, that his team should continue the trend of getting hot during the second half of the season as they gear up for another state tournament run.

"Our first ten guys are doing okay," he said. "We are trying to lengthen our bench. We are very young, 29-of-the-37 kids who tried out are freshmen and sophomores and ten of our guys are here for two years and seven of them are here for three years."

On Tuesday night, the team started off its season with a loss to North Andover, 55-44, after trailing by twenty at the half. High scorers were Eric Swiezynski with 15 and Dennis Ingram and Josh Howlett each with six. McCune said although the team didn't play that well in the first half, they played much better in the second half and that's something to build on.

"These kids are very coachable, they learn very quickly and they are a super bunch of kids, I really mean that. If they can hang in there, I think they could be a pretty good team come down the stretch."

The team is currently lacking height and experience off the bench. Ingram, a 6'0" forward, will be the team's go-to player. He's a slasher, who goes to the basket hard and always gives it his best.

Senior Rob Perkins, at 6'1", will be the team's center and he as well

the other four starters, will be looked upon to rebound. Sean Cahill, another senior returner, will be the other forward and he stands at six feet.

Swiezynski, who averaged 9 points a game, will be the team's shooting guard and he is primed and ready to go. He has big-time potential and as McCune says "He's bigger and stronger, but he just has to slow it down a bit, he gets over-anxious sometimes."

The final spot is Darren Arciero at point guard and the junior is coming off an excellent debut season at that position with only a handful of games under his belt.

"Our offense is struggling a bit because we have spent so much time on defense. We still have the same goals of holding teams to 50

points and under, winning the league and getting to the tournament. This year we have to rebound more as a team and really be patient," McCune said.

The second five starts with freshman Kyle Hendricks. He is just the fourth freshman to make it to the big club under McCune with the two Swizas and Chris Kilburn being the others. McCune says that he has a ton of natural ability and that "once he realizes that he is as good as everyone else, he'll be a player."

Sophomores Josh Howlett (6'3"), Tim Riley (5'10"), Kevin Forgett (5'9") and junior Martin DeAngelo (6'2") will compliment the starters and all of them have come along way already.

"We scrimmaged Chelmsford and they are huge, I mean huge,"

McCune said. "We played two halves and we lost by seven and then eight."

"Then we scrimmaged Winchester and they too are huge and we lost by ten. The other day we faced Chelsea in the jamboree and they are very quick and strong and we won 23-22. So things are already looking up. We are very excited about this team."

The rest of the squad consists of sophomores Steve Brown - coming off a broken leg he suffered playing for the football team - and Jason Barrett, as well as juniors John Timulty, David Lescasse and Marty Tildsley.

The team will travel to Amesbury on Monday before hosting Tewksbury the following Wednesday (Dec. 23) for its home opener.

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From left WHS girls basketball coach Beth Kapnis with tri-captains Renee Shano, Emily King and Jackie Eldridge. (Photo by Jeff Nazzaro)

Girls hoop team delivers big home opener victory

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Over the past few seasons, the Wilmington High girls basketball team has desperately been seeking a big win to give them a boost of confidence.

Well, Tuesday night they got it. The Wildcats beat one of the powerhouses of the league in North Andover in front of the home faithful, 55-48.

Head coach Beth Kapnis couldn't have been any happier than she was for her troops.

"I'm so proud of them. They hustled, they worked really hard and they played with a lot of heart. This is a big, big win," the fourth-year coach stated.

Tri-captains Renee Shano and Jackie Eldridge combined to lead the team with 22 points, while the third tri-captain, Emily King, had a very good night on the boards and defensively.

"This really was a team effort win. I mean everyone played well - everyone," Kapnis said.

Off the bench came Colleen Cahill and Kristen Kacamburas "who was a big sparkplug" and the two of them combined for 17 points. Getting that production from your bench in high school basketball is something that wins games period.

Also junior Meredith Cipriani had a big game on the boards and on the scoreboard with nine points as well.

Besides them, the rest of the team consists of Lindsay Bruno, Lauren Groves, Lori Vachon, who

is a promising rookie, Leah Staffier, Alicia Paquin and the injured Katie Holloway.

"Everyone was unreal. I'm just so happy right now and so proud of them. They are all such great kids so it's hard not to be proud of them all the time."

For this season, the team is looking to get back in the state tournament for the first time since 1995, as the last two seasons the team missed it by one victory, finishing at 9-11 overall. On Friday the team will play Masconomet who is still pretty loaded despite losing Brianne Stepherson to Boston College.

Sixth grade boys hoop team loses tough one

The Wilmington Sixth Grade traveling boys basketball team traveled to New Hampshire Saturday to face perennial powerhouse Salem in a league game but came up on the short end of a 43-27 drubbing.

The game was tied at the half 16-16 but Salem center Billy White (23 points) was too much to handle. Scott Hanson played some tough "D" leading the way with three steals.

Ryan Quigley came up with five big rebounds while establishing position around the basket. Ray Gravellese and Joe Mayo continued to display great hustle as the Wildcats did not quit until after the final buzzer.

Matt Stewart did a nice job handling the ball against the iron clad Salem defense.

On Sunday, Coach DeLucia's team hosted Methuen "White" team at Shawsheen Tech. The home cooking apparently agreed with the hungry "Cats" as they played a great game and came away with a 43-35 win.

Derek Concannon played his best game thus far with 10 points and four steals. Danny Reed continued to play well taking advantage of Methuen's zone defense by scorching the visitors with three beautiful outside baskets. Eric "don't" come in my area" Ollila laid down the law with three Camby style blocked shots. He also added 13 points and 10 rebounds.

Team statistician Dennis Hanson was treated for writer's cramp while recording rebounds for Wildcat Anthony Azevedo as "the big man" wiped the windows for 15 big ones. Brian Caird did his foul shooting homework, hitting a team leading 75 percent from the line and shot well from the floor.

Mark Giordano hit some beautiful shots for six points as the shifty guard added to the well balanced Wildcat attack with help from teammate Joe Mayo.

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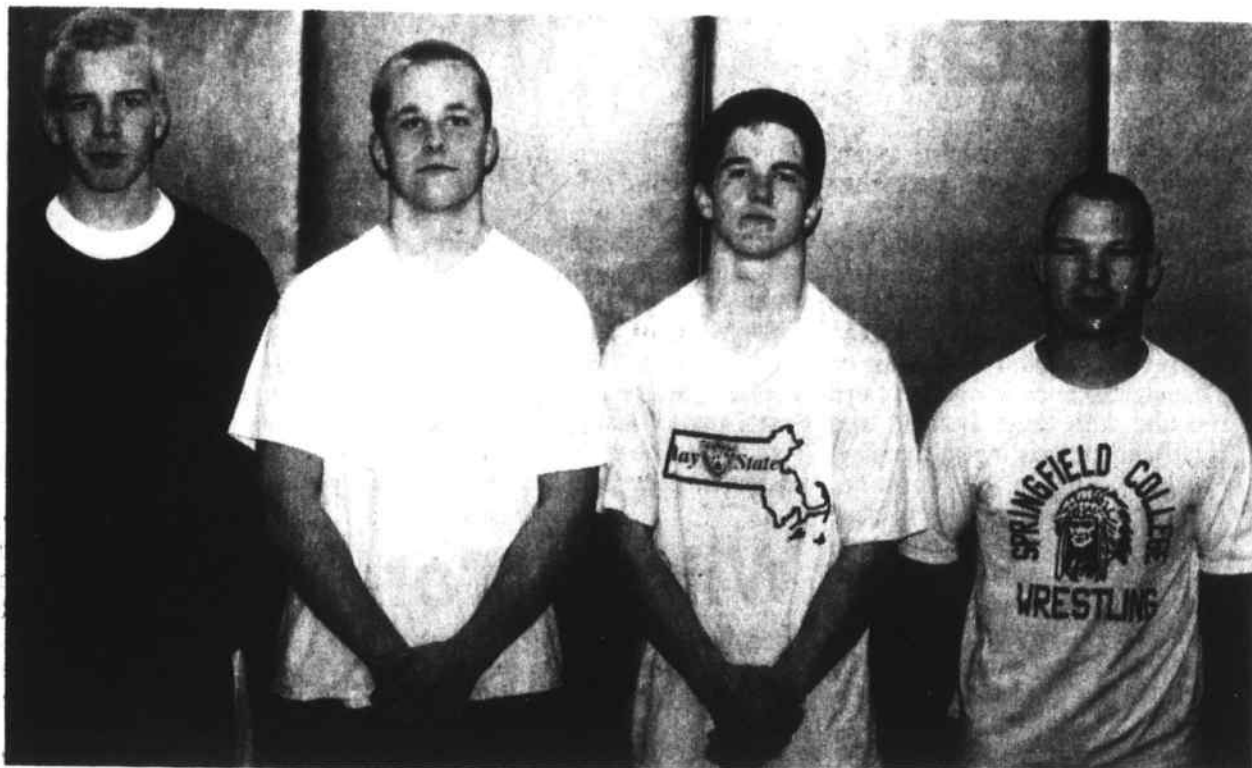
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From left tr-captains Paul Cheney, Greg Moran and Pat Heffernan stand with head coach Mike Pimental of the WHS wrestling team. (Photo by Jeff Nazzaro).

Heffernan, Shea to lead wrestling team

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Over the past few years, the Wilmington High wrestling team's numbers have increased considerably, while, their success has done the same. Today, the team has 55 kids, the most ever its had, and again the expectations are pretty high.

Wilmington returns tri-captain junior Pat Heffernan and senior Brian Shea are the top two guns, as both of them took 5th and 6th places in the state last year, respectively.

Besides them the team also returns veterans Paul Cheney and Greg Moran, the two other captains, along with Ryan Clancy and the two DiPasquale's, Adam and John as several of the other weapons.

This season kicked-off on Wednesday night, while, the annual Sons of Italy Tournament will again be held this Saturday at WHS with 13 teams being featured. Head coach Mike Pimental, now in his fifth year at the helm, is, as always, excited about the season.

"I'm really excited," he said. "The kids have done everything we've asked of them and they are working very hard. I'm excited because I think wrestling is going in the right direction, and the best part about it is there are a lot of young minds."

Heffernan stole the spotlight last season basically coming out of nowhere to take the fifth place in the 119 weight class. He has bumped up to 125 this season. Shea, on the other hand, also came on strong last year and Pimental says his potential can go much further as long as he doesn't fall in a trap of using the same moves.

The rest of the line-up has freshman Justin Hoff, an outstanding rookie, starting things off at 103. Sophomore Dan Pousignat, a transfer from Atlanta stands in at 112, then Heffernan is at 125, followed by Nick Maselli, a seasoned veteran at 130.

Seniors Brian Grillo and Anthony Limoli are currently fighting for

the 135 spot, while, Cheney looks fabulous at 140. John DiPasquale and Marc Sollazzo are vying for the 145 spot, while, senior Ryan Clancy, who won the Comeback Wrestler of the Year award last season going from 2-14 to 15-16, looks to improve on that at 152.

Moran, who went to a camp in Iowa for two weeks during the summer, seems much improved and he will wrestle at 160. Dave DeAmato, Adam DiPasquale, Dave Senarian and Shea follow in order from 171, 189, 215 and heavyweight, respectively.

The past two seasons have been winning ones for the program, as they look to surpass last year's 9-6 record.

"The kids work above the call of duty, I know that because I work them very hard," Pimental said. "Now if we can get some more fan backing than it would be great. Other than that I think we'll be okay."

The 'Cats were sluggish to start the third and gave up two quick goals, one through a screen that found the far corner and the other on breakaway. Mike Cabral played net for the Cats and played well enough to win this game, but did not get any breaks.

The defense of Jonathan Kincaid, Kevin Creedon and Steven Dunnett played well, but the mistakes made were capitalized on by Nashoba. The forwards, Brett Robbins, Casey Pickett, Matt Stokes, Mike Gautreau and Bridge Griffin fought for every loose puck and had several quality shots on net.

Mike Derosa took a pass from Evan Brennan and sent it top shelf to make the game close.

David Sweet stole the puck at the Nashoba blue line and just missed the far side to tie the game. Wilmington unsuccessfully pulled its goalie looking for the equalizer but gave up the empty net goal instead and went home on the short end of a 5-3 score.

Female Athlete from page 17

her ball handling skills in basketball and her fanatic yet graceful and aggressive style on the base paths in softball.

All of that is the reason why she is the first female from Wilmington to be a three-sport Catholic Conference All-Star at Austin Prep.

Oh yeah, she does basketball "for something to do", while being the team's best player.

Although she hasn't decided about her future and what college she plans on attending and what sport she plans on playing, she just she goes with the flow and whatever happens, happens.

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Explosive first line looks to lead ice hockey team

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

With a lethal first line, the Wilmington High ice hockey team is looking for big things come this winter. Right now the team is still polishing up, but head coach Steve Scanlon said relatively speaking things are okay right now.

The first line of seniors Justin Vallas, Mark DiGiovanni and Shawn Haubner combined for 51 goals and 65 assists, good for 116 points in last year's 12-7-4 season as juniors. This season they will be looked on as the big guns, however, this team has a very physical second line and several promising and big defensemen who could help the team go over the top.

"I think the first two lines are interchangeable," said Scanlon now in his eighth year as head coach after spending the first eight as an assistant. "The first line is explosive, while, the second line is very physical and both lines really look good. The first line could be one of the top scoring lines in the state as long as they don't get too hung up on themselves. We have depth everywhere but in the net, and we have some promising good defensemen."

Vallas is the true sniper on the first line as he is coming off a 32 goal season, including going through several nagging injuries last year. He'll be in the middle of DiGi on the left and Haubner on the right. Both wingers are similar in style as they absolutely fly like Vallas, and as long as they don't look for the fancy play and shoot the puck, they should put up some impressive numbers this season. Of course if they stay healthy.

The second line really could give this team a lot of balance and they could take a lot of pressure off the first trio. Junior Dan Torpey is centering junior Eric Banda on the left and senior T.J. Flynn on the right.

Banda and Flynn are extremely physical and the three of them are also fast, so they could match-up against some of the team's first lines.

Torpey, the younger brother of Dennis who had 100 plus goals in his career, notched eight of them last year as a sophomore. Banda and Flynn, on the other hand, combined for 23 points, giving that line a combined 39 points.

With 155 points returning from the top six forwards, Scanlon hopes the scoring frenzy begins on Wednesday night against North Andover and carries over to the entire season.

After NA, Lynnfield and Tewksbury both come to town with Central Catholic and Danvers following in the annual Haverhill Christmas Tournament.

"We'll be tested after the first five games, it'll be vital but we won't overreact [whichever] way it goes," Scanlon said. "It's a long haul."

The first pair of defensemen are senior Chet Ferreira who showed glimpses of brilliance last year but was inconsistent. Scanlon said he looks very good this year and he and big sophomore Scott Buck will not only be two big and rugged blueliners with lots of potential, but they will also be the top guns at the point on what could become an awesome power play unit.

"Yeah, we're hoping team's take some penalties against us. Right now the power play looks very good, but again they have to shoot the puck," Scanlon said.

Jay Gillis and Mike Comer make up the second defensive pairings and they like Danny Fogg and Rob Garrett who make up the third duo, provide very good depth, which is something the team hasn't had at the blue line recently.

The third forward line has sophomore Mike Montalto inbetween John O'Neil and Dave Trueira. Also getting some time will be sophomores Brian Velardo and Jason

Loring up front and Joe Delaney and another promising rookie Matt Porter on defense.

The big question remains inbetween the pipes?

"Mike [O'Connor] has looked a lot better. He went to some camps

over the summer, his angles are improved and he looks a lot better than he did last year and that's a big plus."

Backing him up will be freshman Joe Luciano.

Squirt III's take pair

The Wilmington Squirt III's took a pair of games over the past weekend with the first Dual State League game over the Wakefield II's by the score of 2-1.

This win was especially nice because it came against the only team that had beaten the III's in the Valley League. You knew it was going to be a fast paced game from the beginning as Brian Raposo saw plenty action between the pipes for Wilmington.

The game was won because none of the Wildcats stopped skating. There was no scoring in the first period, but good forechecking by the line of Maria Tucker, Mark Bernardo and Ryan Loring kept the Warriors' netminder busy.

In the second period the Cats got the scoring started when Keith Irwin centered a pass out front as line mates Derek Sullivan and Kyle Abell slammed the puck in the net.

Wilmington picked up another score before the close of the period on some good passing, as Danny Silva dug the puck out of the corner to Robby MacKinnon who dished it off to Chris Stafford for the one timer.

The third period saw some fine work at the blue line by defenseman Derek Derosa, Brian Garrett and Sean Roy keeping Wakefield pinned in their own zone for close to five minutes. Coming back the other way it was Derek Griffin and Mike Hayes making fine defensive plays breaking up several opportunities that Warriors had.

Wakefield did manage to get a

goal with one minute left and a shot on goal at the end but Raposo knocked it down to preserve the 'W'.

Wilmington 5 Woburn 1

In Valley League action the Wildcats took a well deserved win against a very good Woburn III team by the score of 5-1. The game was a lot closer than the score as Wilmington worked for every score they got playing the game short four players. Mark Manning was in net for Wilmington putting on a fine goaltending display.

In the first period the two teams were pretty evenly matched with the only score coming on a hard shot from the blue line by Derek DeRosa.

In the second period Keith Irwin got the first score of the period blasting it past the goalie with helpers going to Mark Bernardo and Robby MacKinnon. Kyle Abell made it three to nothing on a turn around shot with Derek Sullivan on the doorstep for a rebound. Abell almost made it four when he stole the puck at the blue line but was stoned by the Tanner netminder.

In the third Derek Griffin sent MacKinnon for both of his two goals with Danny Silva and Maria Tucker getting an assist on the latter of the two. Woburn did sneak one by Manning to spoil the shutout but that was it. Mike Hayes played another great game on 'D' chasing down defenders with his long strides catching them before they get a shot on.

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Mite B's playing strong

The Wilmington Mite B youth hockey team played a strong Reading B team in Valley League action taking home the victory 3-1.

All the scoring in this game took place in the third period as this game was fast paced for two periods.

The Wildcats put "Brick Wall" Cabral in net and Mike showed Reading everything he had as the only goal from Reading came when Wilmington had a man in the penalty box for tripping.

Solid defense from Kevin Creedon, Steven Dunnett and Jonathan Kincaid with help from Michael Jensen, Michael Derosa and Casey Pickett, kept Reading at bay.

With the Cats trailing 1-0 after the power play goal, Wilmington struck! Michael Jensen was sent in alone from Steven Dunnett and faked the Reading goalie out for the score and the tie. One minute later Mike Derosa broke in alone and deked right and put in a back hander for the lead.

The forwards played fantastic all game long as they back checked to help out the defense. David Sweet, Brett Robbins, Matt Stokes, Alan Santos, Bridget Griffin and Mike Gautreau played tenacious two way hockey.

The nail in the coffin was provided by Jonathan Kincaid who scored on a backhand from the point with a minute left.

Wilmington 2 Haverhill 1

The Wilmington Mite B's traded out of an early morning contest for an afternoon affair with Haverhill's Mite A team and out lasted them for a 2-1 victory. Wilmington came out flying, playing were they left off the night before against Reading.

The Cats had the same line up as the night before with Mike Cabral between the pipes, Jonathan Kincaid, Steven Dunnett, and Kevin Creedon playing defense with help from Casey Pickett, Mike Derosa, and Mike Jensen.

The forwards, Mike Gautreau, Bridget Griffin, Matt Stokes, Alan Michael Santos, Brett Robbins and David Sweet with help from Casey, Mike J. and Mike D. would not let Haverhill get started.

Wilmington did find itself in the hole after one period as Mike Cabral could not stop a Haverhill player on a breakaway. Mike was fantastic after that goal as Haverhill was denied several times on quality chances.

The 'Cats knotted the game when Mike Derosa went in lone and put one in top corner with the assist

going to David Sweet. Mike Jensen took a feed from Steven Dunnett and faked out the goalie for a 2-1 lead after two periods of play.

The Cats were determined to maintain the lead and did so after Haverhill pulled the goalie not allowing the tying score.

Wilmington 9 Amesbury 0

The 'Cats showed no mercy on Amesbury's Mite A's as they beat them 9-0 in Valley League action. Mike Derosa started the scoring, followed by Evan Brennan on a hard wrist shot at the top of the right faceoff circle. Both goals wee unassisted.

Amesbury had its chances, but the solid play of the defense led by

Jonathan Kincaid, Kevin Creedon and Steven Dunnett and goaltender Mike Cabral who stopped a couple of tough shots in the contest, did not allow Amesbury on the board. Casey Pickett took a feed from Mike Gautreau and found the far side and Mike Derosa scored his second of the game to increase the lead to 4-0.

The 'Cats continued scoring mixing the forwards with the defense as Mike Gautreau picked the corner with assists going to Mike D. and Casey. Casey got her second of the game on a fluke as she dumped the puck into the zone and the Amesbury goalie misplayed the puck. Kevin Creedon scored his first of the year with help from Evan Brennan and David Sweet to make the score 7-0 after two periods.

Mike D. went coast to coast to notch his hat trick. Mike D. flying down the right wing fed Casey a perfect pass and she found the strings her hat trick with the other assist going to David Sweet. Mike Jensen, Bridget Griffin, Brett Robbins, Alan-Michael Santos, and Matt Stokes played fantastic in the win showing true hustle all game.

Nashoba 5 Wilmington 3

Wilmington Mite B's fought hard against the Nashoba B team, but came up short 5-3. It looked as though the Cats might have an easy time with Nashoba as they started the game without a dressed goalie.

The 'Cats had only one shot on their goalie when their net minder arrived and changed on the fly. Nashoba scored first on breakaway, but Mike Jensen tied the score on a pretty rush up ice.

Mike Derosa gave the 'Cats the lead 2-1 with an assist to Alan-Michael Santos. Nashoba tied the game at two after two.

Squirt B's have that scoring touch

The Wilmington Squirt B youth hockey team started out strong in their first matchup against a big North Reading team.

Dan Tobin started things off with a pretty wrap around goal when he got the puck on one side of the net and came around to the other side so quickly the opposing net minder didn't have time to react.

Shortly after Derek Fitzpatrick made his first contribution by taking the puck right from a corner faceoff and firing it right into the net. Dan Tobin came up big again as he skated behind the net drawing the defense with him. He then made a perfect pass out to Michael Earls who finished off the play with a nice goal.

North Reading came back in the second period and put real pressure on Jimmy Good scoring five of their seven goals. Jimmy had to fend off some of the strongest shooting he has seen all year. As you would expect, Jim handled this barrage well and maintained his focus for the rest of the game.

Defenders Eric Svensson and Zach Church, as well as Brad Fraser and Albert Fiorenza, were also put to the test by the aggressive play of North Reading.

Wilmington's never give up attitude showed in the third period as the Cats attempted a comeback. The team of Earls and Tobin kicked in again, this time with Mike connecting with Danny who got his second goal of the game.

The hard work of Mike Fay, Mark Walsh and Shayne Pellerin almost paid off in front of the North Reading net when it appeared they scored. However, when the smoke

cleared the official found the puck in front of the line and ruled it no score.

David Rizzo and Justin Roberts also skated well and had some good opportunities that just didn't pan out. Derek Fitzpatrick finished off his night with another beautiful goal late in the period, but time ran out for the Cats who showed a lot of character in a tight duel.

Wilmington 5
Lexington/Bedford 0
In their second game within 24 hours, the Wildcats came out against Lexington-Bedford like a team with a mission.

They dominated every aspect of the game starting with the defensive efforts of Brad Fraser, Zach Church, Albert Fiorenza and David Rizzo who shut down many of the opposition's attempts during the game. Fiorenza and Fraser also had some nice assists during this game as well. Derek Fitzpatrick got started early with a sweet goal after a combination pass from Michael Earls and Dan Steenbruggen.

Following that, Mark Walsh fired one into the net after a setup from Danny Tobin and Danny Steenbruggen. Justin Roberts, who's been so close on a number of occasions, took a nice pass from Albert Fiorenza and (you guessed it) Dana Steenbruggen and drilled one past the opposing goalie. Dana seemed to be all over the ice in this game making a significant contribution with three assists.

While the second period was quiet for the Wilmington offense, it was anything but quiet for the defense and net minder Jimmy Good. Lex-

ington-Bedford put forth their best effort, trying hard to even the score.

However, Jimmy "The Terminator" Good lived up to his name as he made 12 of his 18 saves in the second period and recorded his sixth shutout of the season.

During the third period the Cats got back to work offensively when Dan Tobin found his mark after some nice passing between Mike Fay and Mark Walsh.

Fay closed out the game with a goal after Fiorenza got him the puck on a breakout.

Squirt A's

The Wilmington Squirt A youth hockey team recently took on the tough Pentucket A's for bragging rights to first place in Valley League.

Having played Pentucket once before, to a hard fought tie and both teams records the same, something was going to give.

In the first Tony Resendes grabbed a loose puck in the neutral zone and put a nice shot on net. Nice goal, with Michael McMahon holding the fort on defense in case anything went awry.

Two minutes later Pentucket shot down and crashed the net powering their way in for a goal. Not to be outdone, the Cats pulled together and put some heavy pressure on the Pentucket defense. Tony at the point hit Steve Patterson with a pass allowing Steve a potent shot on net, Pentucket's goalie made a fantastic save, but George Dighton was

there to knock in a hard fought rebound! Two to one, Cats after one!

Second period action again was hot and heavy with Pentucket playing the physical game. The Cats getting used to the physical play, stepped it up and had Warren Fitzpatrick knock in another hard rebound with Scott Dunnett and Ray Bennett assisting on the play.

Again not to be outdone, Pentucket came right back to close the gap two minutes later. Jason Buckley, Nick Yeomelakis and Dave Griffin showed great poise in the defensive end while putting sustained pressure on when in the offensive end! End of the second 3-2 Cats.

Third period lay was a nail biter. George Dighton got his second with the helpers going to Ray Bennett and Ray Gravelle. After this goal Pentucket started playing desperate hockey, scoring again two minutes after the Cats!

Scott Sferrazza held the Cats in the game late in the third as Pentucket pressed hard. Finally, with Pentucket's goalie pulled for the extra attacker, Billy Schultes got control, passed the puck to Steve Stokes who shot and scored the open netter. Five to three Cats, heck of a game to watch.

The Squirt A's are now 5-0-1 in Valley League action. Thanks Wilmington Arena Authority.

Wilmington vs Nashua
The Cat Squirt A's played the Nashua A's in Dual State action for the first time! Dual State partly ended three weeks ago with the Cats being placed in the top division, the

competition is certainly there as they have found out.

The Cats are 0-2 in Dual State action having played good hockey, but being on the wrong end of the stick!

Steve Stokes, Nick Yeomelakis, Dave Griffin, George Dighton, Stephen Patterson, Jason Buckley, Scott Dunnett, Ray Gravelle, and Tony Resendes played the forward positions. Billy Schultes, Michael

McMahon, Ray Bennett, and Warren Fitzpatrick took the defensive chores while Scott Sferrazza protected the pipes.

Not a lop-sided game by any means, the game was played at both ends of the ice, but the Cats weren't as crisp passing or team oriented in this one. Final score, 4-1 Panthers. Thanks again Wilmington Arena Authority for supporting us!

Wilmington Mite I's stuck at 1-1 tie

The Wilmington Mite 1 youth hockey team played Salem Mite 1 Saturday morning.

Corey Tobin was goaltender for the game. This contest had two evenly matched teams playing back and forth hockey all game. The Wildcats were playing very smart positional hockey as was Salem. One knew this would be a low scoring game with not many chances.

At the end of two, there was still no score. The offense of Greg Good, Jarred Mitrano, Timmy Cushing, Nicholas Robarge, Max Wilkins, Eric Siegel, Jason Yeomelakis, Michael Enwright and Sean Fay were relentless.

Putting plenty of pressure on Salem, but nothing materialized until Eric Siegel went flying down the ice and let a nice shot rip. The goalie saved it, but it was too powerful for him to control the rebound and Sean Fay, in perfect position

got his stick on it and netted it.

Half way through the third Salem got a penalty shot which could have tied the game. Corey Tobin was ready, he came out to challenge the shooter, took away any angle he had and the shooter went wide of the net.

Corey and his defense of Sean Dighton, Ernie Mello, Michael Robarge and Kevin Fitzpatrick were great this game, not giving up any breakaways and making Salem work for possession of the puck. With a little more than two minutes left in the game, Corey had a lot of traffic in front of his net and Salem managed to pop one in.

Wilmington got a penalty with just under a minute to play, but kept the action in Salem's zone for the remainder of the game. This was a great game to watch with everyone contributing to the 1-1 tie.

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Boys Varsity and JV Basketball

JV 6 p.m.; Varsity 7:30 p.m.

December
18 (Fri.) @Lawrence
21 (Mon.) LOWELL
23 (Wed.) @Wilmington
26 (Sat.) @Masconomet
Christmas Tourney
27 (Sun.) @Masconomet
Christmas Tourney

January
4 (Mon.) @Lynnfield
8 (Fri.) @Billerica
12 (Tues.) CHELMSFORD
15 (Fri.) HAVERHILL
22 (Fri.) @Dracut
26 (Tues.) @Methuen
29 (Fri.) LAWRENCE

February
2 (Tue.) @Andover
5 (Fri.) BILLERICA
9 (Tues.) @Andover
9 (Tues.) @Chelmsford
11 (Thurs.) @Central
15 (Mon.) WOBURN
16 (Tues.) @Burlington
18 (Thurs.) BURLINGTON

Head coach: James Sullivan
Assistant Coach: Kevin Shea

Boys Freshman Basketball

December
18 (Fri.) @Lawrence 4:45
21 (Mon.) LOWELL 4:30
23 (Wed.) WILMINGTON 4:30

January
8 (Fri.) @Billerica 4:45
12 (Tues.) CHELMSFORD 4:45
15 (Fri.) HAVERHILL 4:45
22 (Fri.) @Dracut 4:45
26 (Tues.) @Methuen 4:30
29 (Fri.) LAWRENCE 4:30

February
2 (Tues.) @Andover 4:45
5 (Fri.) BILLERICA 4:30

9 (Tues.) @Chelmsford 4:45
11 (Thurs.) @Cent. Catholic

Coach: Thomas Bradley

Girls V/JV Basketball

December
18 (Fri.) DRACUT
21 (Mon.) @Lynnfield
26 (Sat.) @Stoneham, v only, 2:45
27 (Sun.) @Stoneham v only tba
30 (Wed.) LYNNFIELD

January
5 (Tues.) @Lawrence
8 (Fri.) BILLERICA
11 (Mon.) ANDOVER
13 (Wed.) NO. READING
15 (Fri.) @Notre Dame
19 (Tues.) @Lowell
22 (Fri.) Central Cath.
26 (Tues.) METHUEN
29 (Fri.) @Dracut

February
2 (Tues.) CHELMSFORD
5 (Fri.) @Billerica
9 (Tues.) LAWRENCE
12 (Fri.) NOTRE DAME
16 (Tues.) @Cent. Catholic

Coach: Patrick McAndrews

Asst. Coach: Heather Sullivan

Girls Freshman Basketball

December
15 (Tues.) DRACUT 3:15
18 (Fri.) @Lawrence 3:30
21 (Mon.) LOWELL 3:15
23 (Wed.) WILMINGTON 3:15

January
8 (Fri.) @Billerica 3:30
12 (Tues.) CHELMSFORD 3:45
15 (Fri.) HAVERHILL 3:15
22 (Fri.) @Dracut 3:15
26 (Tues.) @Methuen 4:00
29 (Fri.) LAWRENCE 3:15

February
2 (Tues.) @Andover 3:15

5 (Fri.) BILLERICA 3:15
9 (Tues.) @Chelmsford 3:30
11 (Thurs.) @Lawrence Central Catholic 3:30

Coach: Mark Bradley

Gymnastics

January
5 (Tues.) @Billerica 7:00
6 (Wed.) WILMINGTON 7:00
11 (Mon.) @Masconomet 7:00
14 (Thurs.) @Methuen 7:00
20 (Wed.) @No. Andover 6:00
25 (Mon.) LOWELL 7:00
29 (Fri.) ANDOVER 7:00

February
2 (Wed.) CHELMSFORD 7:00
6 (Sat.) MVC @TBA TBA

Coach: Eileen Murphy

Varsity Ice Hockey

December
16 (Wed.) AUSTIN PREP 6:00
19 (Sat.) @Martha's Vine 1:00
21 (Mon.) @Lynnfield 3:30
23 (Wed.) @Wilmington 7:20
30 (Wed.) CHELMSFORD 8:00

January
2 (Sat.) @Acton-Boxboro 7:30
6 (Wed.) ANDOVER 8:00
9 (Sat.) BILLERICA 6:00
14 (Thurs.) EVERETT 3:00
17 (Sun.) @Central 2:30
20 (Wed.) HAVERHILL 6:00
23 (Sat.) @Chelmsford 7:20
27 (Wed.) @Methuen 7:15
20 (Sat.) @Billerica 7:15

February
3 (Wed.) A/-BOXBORO 8:00
10 (Wed.) @Medford 8:00
13 (Sat.) @Med. Tour. TBA
15 (Mon.) @Triton 6:00
17 (Wed.) @New. Tour. TBA
20 (Sat.) CENTRAL Noon

Head coach: Robert Ware
Assistant Varsity Coach: James Lightfoot

Assistant Coach: Shawn Murray

Boys & Girls Winter Track

December
16 (Wed.) vs Andover @ Andover 3:30
18 (Fri.) JV meet @ Andover 3:30

21 (Mon.) @Lowell 3:30
28 (Mon.) vs Chelmsford @Methuen 10:00
29 (Tues.) Developmental Meet (boys) 9:30
31 (Thurs.) JV Relay @Lowell 9:00

January
2 (Sat.) Girls Invitational 9:30

7 (Thurs.) Dracut @Lowell 3:30
9 (Sat.) @Boys Invitational 9:30
9 (Sat.) @Dart. Relays 8:00
11 (Mon.) Haverhill @Met. 3:30

13 (Wed.) vs Phillips Acadmy 3:00
16 (Sat.) St. Class C Relays 1:30
21 (Thurs.) Notre Dame @Lowell girls only 3:30
24 (Sun.) @FR/SO 10:30
25 (Mon.) @Methuen 3:30
30 (Sat.) Elite Relays (boys) 3:30

February
1 (Mon.) Lawrence @Meth. 3:30

6 (Sat.) JV/FR @ Andover 8:30
13 (Sat.) Class C State 9:30
20 (Sat.) All-State 11:00
22 (Mon.) Team Penthalon (boys)
23 (Tues.) Ind. penthalon (boys)
24 (Wed.) Ind. Penthalon (boys)

March
6 (Sat.) New England Meet TBA
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Boys Varsity coach: Steve Levine
Girls Varsity Coach: Robert

MacDougall
Assistant: Jennifer Brooks

Wrestling

December
16 (Wed.) @No. Andover 6:30
19 (Sat.) @Wil. Inv. 11:00
23 (Wed.) @Law Cent Quad 3:00
26 (Sat.) METHUEN 2:00
29 (Tues.) @Lowell Holiday
Tourney TBA

January
6 (Wed.) @Shawsheen Tech 6:30
9 (Sat.) @Reading Tourney 10:00
13 (Wed.) BILLERICA 6:30
16 (Sat.) @Woburn Inv. 10:00

20 (Wed.) @Lowell 6:30
23 (Sat.) @Lowell Tourney 10:00
27 (Wed.) CHELMSFORD 6:30
30 (Sat.) @Methuen Tourn 11:00

February
3 (Wed.) @Haverhill 6:30
6 (Sat.) @Salem 10:00
10 (Wed.) @Lawrence 6:30
13 (Sat.) @Sectionals TBA
19 (Fri.) @States TBA
20 (Sat.) @States TBA
26 (Fri.) @All States TBA
27 (Sat.) @All States TBA

Head Coach: Al Donovan
Assistant Coach: Steve O'Keefe

Squirt IV's remain busy

The Tewksbury Squirt IV youth hockey team had a busy weekend with three games.

Their first opponent was N.H. East II in the early morning on Saturday. It was a tough match, and Tewksbury fought hard, but at the end of the game, it was 6-2 with the win going to NH East.

Tewksbury's goals were scored by Christian Irving and Eric Webb. Later in the day, they faced off against Masco III for Valley League action.

In the first period, Tewksbury's Danny Adams got the first point of the game assisted by Justin O'Brien. Defensive players Christian Irving and Danny Boyle were making some great plays to keep the action in Masco's zone and goalie Mike Tobin stopped every shot including a bullet to the chest pad.

Joe DeMaio and Mike Kelly both had scoring opportunities but the end of the first period, it was Tewksbury up by one.

The second period continued with great defensive work by DeMaio, James Duffy, Jonhenry Holt, Boyle and Irving. Kelly got a penalty to give Masco the advantage, but Webb came through from the face off to get the second goal shorthanded.

Just minutes later, DeMaio brought the puck down from deep

in the Tewksbury zone and forcing Masco's goalie out front, tucked one in behind him to make it 3-0.

Masco got on the board with a nice pass out in front slipping one by Tobin and then with just seconds left in the period another one got by to tighten it up 3-2.

Holt and Ernie Ladd tried to connect in front of the net early in the third, but were stopped by Masco. Kevin Aguiar, Justin O'Brien, Anthony Moccia and Adams were putting the pressure on to increase the lead, but Masco tied it up on a rebound off a great stop by Tobin.

Jason Bucci came in with Webb and working with DeMaio, Webb got another one in to regain the lead 4-3. Two more Tewksbury penalties by Aguiar and Moccia gave Masco the man advantage, but again short-handed, Webb flipped one in to the top corner to get the hat trick and his 35th goal of the season.

Masco tried hard to get another one on the board, but Tobin stopped everything that came his way.

For the third game of the weekend, they faced a tough Methuen II team. Methuen got on the board first and never looked back overtaking Tewksbury 9-1.

The lone goal to break the shut-out was unassisted by Jason Bucci.

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Ram's drop opener, 65-57

by MIKE BURNS
Sports Correspondent

The Shawsheen Tech's 1998-1999 basketball season opened with a clang Tuesday evening as the Rams lost to the Minuteman Tech Mustangs, 65-57. Coach Roger Bourgouis, beginning his fifth season with the Rams, didn't know what to expect as only one starter from last year's 17-5 CAC Champions, Carl Giangregorio of Wilmington. While Jeff Connor also of Wilmington and Tewksbury's Jason Bruno saw a great deal of playing time last season, the remainder of this year's squad is quite limited in varsity experience. This lack of experience seemed evident in this season's opener.

The low scoring first half saw fine plays by Bruno, despite having three fouls called in the first ten minutes of the half. Shawsheen looked in real trouble when trailing 25-21 with two minutes left in the half. Giangregorio left the game with a badly sprained left ankle. However, Jim Dickinson's buzzer beating three point shot gave the young Rams a 26-25 halftime lead. Opening the second half, the

Mustangs went to a back court press, forcing the inexperienced Shawsheen guards into seven turnovers. Connor seemed to be the only Ram guard comfortable moving the ball against the Mustang press. The Mustangs, however, using the Shawsheen turnovers jumped to a 40-32 lead after only four minutes were played in the half. Bruno, however, led a Shawsheen rally only to be stopped by three point shooting by Minuteman's Greg Moran. Plays such as a nice basket and steal by Shawsheen's Eric Gray, was unfortunately immediately answered by the Mustangs.

Despite the second half efforts of Connor, Bruno and Gray, the Rams were never able to close the scoring gap. Jason Bruno, playing an extremely strong low post game, was the Ram's high scorer with 21 points and 13 rebounds. Jeff Connor finished with 12 points, 8 assists and 5 steals.

Shawsheen next host Northeast Tech of Wakefield on Thursday at 4:45 PM in the newly refurbished Fusco Field House in Billerica.

Without Bledsoe, Dr D. says Pats will win

Last week 9-5-1 Total 116-90-7
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Washington 31 Tampa Bay 20
Patriots 28 San Fran. 21
Kansas City 20 NY Giants 13
Green Bay 20 Tennessee 21
Carolina 24 St. Louis 17
Pittsburgh 30 Cincinnati 21
Chicago 21 Baltimore 20

Atlanta 30 Detroit 20
San Diego 24 Oakland 17
Seattle 35 Indianapolis 13
Dallas 24 Philadelphia 30
Arizona 31 New Orleans 21
Minnesota 28 Jacksonville 21
Monday night
Denver 31 Miami 20

Hall of Fame applications

The Tewksbury Memorial High School (TMHS) Athletic hall of Fame Committee is accepting applications for its fifth annual Induction Ceremony, which will be held at the Tewksbury/ Wilmington

Lodge of Elks April 9, 1999.

Applications are due by January 8, 1999 and are available at the TMHS Athletic Office. For more information call Bob Aylward at 978-640-7834.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING SITE PLAN SPECIAL PERMIT USE SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on January 11, 1999 at 7:05 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by M & G Tewksbury LLC.

Said property is located on Main Street, Assessor's Maps 22 Lots 66 & 122. Proposed construction of a restaurant and liquor store.

The application may be examined in the planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

Robert A. Fowler
Chairman

D16,23, 630

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



NOTICE

The Town of Tewksbury will receive sealed Requests for Proposals to lease 8.8 acres on Assessor's Maps 87, Lot 1 on Livingston Street in Tewksbury to a non-profit organization which will be responsible for constructing an ice skating arena. The Request for Proposals (RFP) may be obtained from the Town Manager's Office during normal business hours. Request for Proposals must be filed in the Town Manager's Office no later than Wednesday, January 6, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. at which time they will be opened and read.

The Town Manager reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, wholly and in part, and to accept any proposal or part thereof deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

David G. Cressman
Town Manager

D9,16,23,30; 625,626

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on January 6, 1999 at 7:05 P.M. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on the application filed by Carol Rocha for a Notice of Intent.

Said property is located on 1608 Main Street, Assessor's Maps 77 (Lots) 34. Construction of a parking lot, fence, grading and appurtenances. The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

William D. Hallisey
Chairman

D16; 627

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT Middlesex Division Docket No. 98D4164DUI Summons By Publication

Lucinda Stone, Plaintiff(s)
v.
John C. Stone, Jr., Defendant(s)
To the above named Defendant(s):
A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff(s), Lucinda Stone, seeking divorce, custody of minor child(ren), spousal and/or child support; and conveyance of real or personal property located within the Commonwealth.

You are required to serve upon Sandra M. Boulay attorney for plaintiff(s) - whose address is 134 Middle Street, Lowell, Massachusetts 01852 your answer on or before February 16, 1999. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Cambridge.

Witness, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, this 18th day of November, 1998.

Marie A. Gardin
Acting Register of Probate Court

D9,16,23; 622

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARINGS

Case 1-99

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on January 4, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. on the application of CM Realty Trust c/o John Connolly, Jr. Esq. One Common Street, Wakefield, MA 01880, to acquire a Special Permit in accordance with Section 5.2.8.1 to extend exhaust pipes servicing an auto body repair shop at the rear of subject premises beyond the 48-foot height limit to 60 feet above grade for property located on 275 Main Street, Map 43 Parcel 4.

Board of Appeals

D16,23; 633

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING SITE PLAN SPECIAL PERMIT SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on January 11, 1999 at 7:20 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Conroy Development Corporation. Said property is located on Commerce Way, Assessor's Map 23 Lot(s) 17, 18, 19.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

Robert A. Fowler
Chairman

D16,23; 631

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Fifth Realty Trust, Roger M. Nelson, Trustee u/d/t April 24, 1990 and recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 5212, Page 200 as transferee and successor in title of the named original mortgagor Sixth Realty Trust, Mark D. Nelson, George C. Nelson and Roger M. Nelson, as Trustees u/d/t dated April 24, 1990, and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 5212, Page 207, to Paula J. Fiorenza f/k/a Paula J. Nelson, said mortgage dated March 8, 1991 and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 5471, Page 347, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on December 30, 1998 on the mortgaged premises located at and hereinafter described, having an address of Lots 1-5 Inclusive, Block 19, Shawheen Pines, Plan Book 50-61/Edgeworth Street, Wilmington, (partial locus in Billerica) Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, said parcel contains approximately 12,469 square feet, more or less, sold subject to said mortgage.

TO WIT: A certain parcel of land situated in Wilmington, in Middlesex County described as Lots one (1) through five (5) inclusive, Block 19, as shown on a plan of land entitled "Shawsheen Pines, Billerica-Wilmington, Mass." dated April 1927, Henry F. Bryant & Son, Surveyors, recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 50-61.

For title, see deed of Sixth Realty Trust into Fifth Realty Trust dated March 22, 1991 recorded at Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Book 5476, Page 88.

Said premises are conveyed subject to, and with the benefit of, easements, conditions and restrictions of record insofar as the same are in force and applicable.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all restrictions, easements, and existing encumbrances of record prior to the mortgage, if any there be, insofar as the same are still in force and applicable to the premises, and subject to all taxes, tax liens, tax titles, municipal betterments or other public taxes, assessments, liens, claims, and existing encumbrances of record created prior to the mortgage, if any there be.

No representations whatsoever are made concerning compliance with applicable zoning, health, local, state or federal regulations.

For authorization to foreclose see the Judgment of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Land Court dated April 29, 1998, Case No. 246256 and Middlesex Superior Court Judgment dated October 28, 1998, Docket No. 98-1592.

TERMS OF THE SALE: Five thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) cash, bank draft or other form acceptable to the said mortgagee, to be paid at the time and place of the sale (the mortgage holder and its designees are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign Memorandum of Sale containing these terms upon acceptance of bid; balance of the purchase price to be paid in cash or current funds in or within thirty (30) days from the date of sale and shall be deposited with and at the office of Maureen V. Andricopoulos, 500 Clark Road, Tewksbury, Massachusetts, Attorney for the Mortgagee, or such other time as may be designated by the mortgagee, pending approval of said sale by the Land Court. The successful bidder shall be obligated to pay for the documentary stamps and the costs of the recording.

The deed shall be delivered and taken within ten (10) days of receipt by Maureen V. Andricopoulos of approval of the sale by the Land Court, said approval being the only condition of the escrow.

This sale may be postponed or adjourned from time to time, if necessary, by the Attorney for the Mortgagee at the scheduled time and place of sale. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

OTHER TERMS, if any, to be announced at the sale.

Paula J. Fiorenza, f/k/a Paula J. Nelson, Present Holder of Said Mortgage

By her Attorney, Maureen V. Andricopoulos, Esq. 500 Clark Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876 (978) 858-3696

D9,16, and 23, #618

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT PROBATE OF COPY WILL WITHOUT SURETIES MIDDLESEX, SS DIVISION DOCKET NO. 98P520SEP

Estate of Patrick Linehan late of Tewksbury in the County of Middlesex.
NOTICE
A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument purporting to be the last copy will of said deceased may be proved and allowed and that John J. Nolan of Andover in the County of Essex be appointed executor without giving surety on his bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before 10:00 a.m. in the forenoon on January 11, 1998.

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, the ninth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred ninety-eight.

Marie A. Gardin
Acting Register of Probate Court

D16; 634

LEGAL NOTICE

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT (SEAL) Case No. 252140

To Steven F. Sullivan, Judith A. Sullivan and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended:

Chase Bank of Texas, f/k/a Texas Commerce Bank, National Association, as Custodian claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, 19 Jones Avenue given by Steven F. Sullivan and Judith A. Sullivan to Stoneham Co-Operative Bank dated November 28, 1997 recorded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of District of Land Court Document No. 172842, and noted on certificate of Title No. 24506 now held by Plaintiff by assignment has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 18th day of January 1999, or you may forever be barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, Chief Justice of said Court this 4th day of December 1998.

Charles W. Trombly, Jr.
Recorder

D16; 632

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a public hearing on January 5, 1999 at 7:45 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on Site Plan Review #98-29 dated December 9, 1998, submitted on December 9, 1998 by Eugene Sullivan. Said property is located at 211 Lowell Street and shown on Assessor's Map 57 Parcel 52. This application is for the proposed removal of existing retail kiosk and construction of a new BankBoston ATM kiosk. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

James Diorio, Chair
Wilmington Planning Board

D16,23; 629

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL NOTICE

Public hearings will be held at the Tewksbury Town Hall on December 28, 1998 beginning at 7:30 p.m. on the following applications:

7:30 P.M. Getty Petroleum Marketing, Inc., owner of record, Leemills Petroleum, Inc. for a variance from the requirements of Section 14.6.2 of the ZBL and 5.3.3 Paragraph C of the ZBL. Also for a modification of a special permit under MCL 40A Section 14 to erect a new 44' x 48' canopy and replace existing gasoline dispensers and islands. Premises located at 869 Main Street, Assessors Map 48, Lot 40, zoned Commercial.

7:40 P.M. Steven Capadanno, d/b/a Traditional Limousine Service, owner of record, Leo J. MacDonald and Paula M. MacDonald for a special permit under Section 4.6.F.7 to run a limousine service. Premises located at 1445 Main Street, Unit 27, Assessor's Map 59, Lot 50, zoned Commercial.

D9,16; 623

Board of Appeals

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Second City Realty Trust, George C. Nelson, Trustee u/d/t dated October 18, 1990, and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 5476, Page 77 as transferee and successor in title of the named original mortgagor, First Realty Trust, Mark D. Nelson, Trustee u/d/t dated December 29, 1987 and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 4378, Page 146, to Paula J. Fiorenza f/k/a Paula J. Nelson, said mortgage(s) dated March 11, 1991 and March 5, 1991 and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 5471, Page 326 and 329, respectively, of which mortgages the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgages and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on December 30, 1998 on the mortgaged premises located at and hereinafter described, having an address of Lots 9-14 Inclusive, Block 20, Shawheen Pines, Plan Book 50-61/Edgeworth Street, Wilmington, (partial locus in Billerica) Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

TO WIT: A certain parcel of land situated partly in Billerica and partly in Wilmington, both in Middlesex County described as Lots nine (9) through fourteen (14) inclusive, Block 20, as shown on a plan of land entitled "Shawsheen Pines, Billerica-Wilmington, Mass." dated April 1927, Henry F. Bryant & Son, Surveyors, recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 50, Plan 61 and bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY: by Edgeworth Street as shown on said plan, one hundred fifty (150) feet;

NORTHWESTERLY: by Lot 8 as shown on said plan, one hundred (100) feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY: by Lots 33 through 38 inclusive as shown on said plan, one hundred fifty (150) feet; and

SOUTHEASTERLY: by Lot 15 as shown on said plan one hundred (100) feet.

Said parcel contains 15,000 square feet, more or less.

Subject to an easement for the benefit of the owners of adjacent land (being part of Lots 25, 26 and 27, and all of Lots 28 through 38, inclusive as shown on said plan) for septic system purposes, including the right to slope the surface thereof, in the following described portion of Lots 9 through 14 as shown on said plan, which easement area measures fifty feet by one hundred fifty feet and lies adjacent to and north-east of the conveyed premises:

NORTHEASTERLY: by the remainder of Lots 9 through 14 inclusive as shown on said Plan, one hundred fifty (150) feet; NORTHWESTERLY: by Lot 8 as shown on said Plan, fifty (50) feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY: by Lots 33 through 38 inclusive as shown on said plan, one hundred fifty (150) feet; and SOUTHEASTERLY: by Lot 15 as shown on said plan, fifty (50) feet;

By her Attorney, Maureen V. Andricopoulos, Esq. 500 Clark Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876 (978) 858-3696

D9,16, and 23, #620

The above described easement, including the right to slope the surface thereof, shall terminate upon the final installation of sewer mains in Fairview Street (Bruning Road) as set forth in the deed from Mark D. Nelson to First Realty Trust dated November 1, 1989, recorded with said Deeds, Book 5059, Page 25, which is also the mortgagor's source of title.

Said premises are conveyed subject to, and with the benefit of, easements, conditions and restrictions of record insofar as the same are in force and applicable.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all restrictions, easements, and existing encumbrances of record prior to the mortgage, if any there be, insofar as the same are still in force and applicable to the premises, and subject to all taxes, tax liens, tax titles, municipal betterments or other public taxes, assessments, liens, claims, and existing encumbrances of record created prior to the mortgage, if any there be.

No representations whatsoever are made concerning compliance with applicable zoning, health, local, state or federal regulations.

For authorization to foreclose see the Judgment of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Land Court dated April 29, 1998, Case No. 246257 and Middlesex Superior Court Judgment dated October 28, 1998, Docket No. 98-1592.

TERMS OF THE SALE: Five thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) cash, bank draft or other form acceptable to the said mortgagee, to be paid at the time and place of the sale (the mortgage holder and its designees are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign Memorandum of Sale containing these terms upon acceptance of bid; balance of the purchase price to be paid in cash or current funds in or within thirty (30) days from the date of sale and shall be deposited with and at the office of Maureen V. Andricopoulos, 500 Clark Road, Tewksbury, Massachusetts, Attorney for the Mortgagee, or such other time as may be designated by the mortgagee, pending approval of said sale by the Land Court. The successful bidder shall be obligated to pay for the documentary stamps and the costs of the recording.

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By her Attorney, Maureen V. Andricopoulos, Esq. 500 Clark Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876 (978) 858-3696

D9,16, and 23, #619

First week of Recreational Hoop play a complete success

Big East

St. John's vs Georgetown

In the game of the week, St. John's snuck by Georgetown as Sean MacSweeney went from villain to hero after scoring a basket for the opposite team and then redeeming himself with no time left on the clock by swishing two foul shots in the first week of Wilmington Recreational Basketball League play.

With one second to go in the game, the inbounds pass went to MacSweeney who was fouled in the act of shooting as the buzzer sounded.

The final score was 25 to 24. High scorers for St. John's were Tim Brady with six, Ryan Trulli with six and Alex Montalto with six.

High scorers for Georgetown were Brian Caira with eight, Brian Sullivan with six and Michael Earls with six.

Chris Gilardi, Tom Warford and Sean Flynn contributed with great passing for St. John's. Sam Oglesby, Mike Haepers and Eric Murray gave their best efforts for Georgetown.

Villanova vs Providence

Villanova defeated Providence by the score of 26-17. High scorers for Villanova were Jeremy Schuh with nine, Jonathan Maimaron with nine and Brian Wilson with four. High scorers for Providence were Nick Errico with seven, Chris Marcin with four and Jonathan Ryan and Mike Fitzgerald with two points each.

Jonathan Cullen, Steve Tower and Al Zammuto were awesome on the boards for Villanova. Matt Yongaitis, Aldo Caira and Evan Wilson played an inspired game for Providence.

Miami vs Pittsburgh

The Miami Hurricanes had too many offensive weapons for Pittsburgh as they won by the score of 41 to 20. High scorers for Miami were Sean Murphy with 15, Jeff Youngclaus with 10 and Keith Brandano and Mike Catania with six points each.

High scorers for Pittsburgh were Andrew Otovic with seven, Mike Saporito with four and Ryan Mooney with two. Dishing out the assists for Miami were Mike Auciello, Matt Olson and Peter DiBenedetto. Joe DiMare, Nick Hogan and Conor Moroney played aggressive defense for Pittsburgh.

Syracuse vs Boston College

Syracuse defeated Boston College 29-13. Zachary Mayo led St. John's on offense with nine points followed by David Doucette with eight and Ray Gravalles with six. Stephen Potner led Boston College with six points along with Anthony Karalekas, Phil Russo and Brendan Gibson with two points apiece.

Ron Puccio and Evan Guarino played a solid two way game for Syracuse. Matt Marden and Chris Crescenzo played an inspired game for Boston College.

Big Twelve

Texas vs Missouri

Texas got its first victory of the early season over a strong Missouri team. The final score was 33 to 22. High scorers for Texas were Brad MacIsaac with 17, Mark Giordano with eight and Eddie Kaufman with six.

High scorers for Missouri were Joe Mayo with eight, Andy Bamberg with seven and Brian Dalton with four. Dan Shibilis, Kevin Cole and Tom Walsh dug in defensively for

Texas. Mike Aronofsky, Mike Adams and Dan Travis made all the right moves for Missouri.

Texas Tech vs Baylor

Texas Tech dominated every aspect of the game and soundly defeated Baylor by the score of 63-32. High scorers for Texas Tech were Rob Harrington with 25 and Mike Gore with 22.

High scorers for Baylor were Lou Insalaco with 12, Tim Madden with nine and Timothy Ryan with four. Tim Sughrue, Mike Hackett and Joe Surianello scored key baskets for Texas Tech. Kyle Sweeney, Jonathan Gravalles and Dan Cwiekowski hustled up and down the court for Baylor.

Iowa State vs Texas A&M

In a defensive gem, Iowa State beat Texas A&M by the score of 25-18. High scorers for Iowa State were Derek Trueira with 16, Rob Gillis with two and Ryan Connolly with two. High scorers for A&M were Zach Mitzen with eight, Joe Caira with four and Lou Auciello with three.

Anthony Hogan, Mike Vassallo and Kevin Neville made big shots for Iowa State. Kevin Paris, David Paris and Eric Pelletier gave their best effort for Texas A&M.

Oklahoma vs Kansas State

Oklahoma got in the victory column with a win over Kansas State, 33-28. High scorers for Oklahoma were Tommy Deechan with 14, Chris Padi with eight and Scott Konieczka with six. High scorers for Kansas State were Dan Hurley with 14, Tom Blaisdell with six and Matt Clarkin with four.

Ryan Orsburn, Alan Gentile and Joshua Newhouse played an important role in the victory for Oklahoma. Mike Rossetti and Mike MacPherson got big rebounds for Kansas State.

Kansas vs Nebraska

In a close game, Kansas hung on to defeat Nebraska by the score of 30 to 28. High scorers for Kansas were Nick Figueiredo with eight, Justin Maimaron with six and Kenny Luongo with five. High scorers for Nebraska were Mike Damplo with 13, Brendan Warford with six and Eddie Lyons with five.

Rounding out the scoring for Kansas' well balanced attack were Chuckie Courtois with four, Danny Reed with two, Corey Lawrenson with two and Mike Firssore with two. Matt Gish, Pat Comaneschi and Paul Chisholm played their hearts out for Nebraska.

Big Twelve

Colorado vs Oklahoma State

Colorado defeated Oklahoma State 42-14. The big four of Jared Nims, Brendan Strem, Justin O'Neil and John Cuoco led Colorado's balanced attack. Matthew Cox with eight, Travis Mills with four and Ryan Curtis with one scored for Oklahoma State.

Chris Clark, Conlin Murphy and Stephen Kennedy all contributed to the high scoring Colorado offense with key baskets. Andrew Mills and George Carroll played an inspired game for Oklahoma State.

NBA

Nets vs Jazz

The Nets were led on offense by David Aronofsky with 16 points, Brian Roberts with 14 and Jared Costantino with 13. Top scorers for the Jazz were Robert Mills and Michael Halas with 10 points apiece and Patrick Taylor with six.

Cory Calway and Sean Moroney had multiple assists for the Nets. The Jazz had a solid all around effort from Graham Padziorko, David Perkins and Michael Bell.

Pacers vs Knicks

The Pacers outlasted the Knicks 44-25. Chris McHale's 25, Pat O'Shea's five and Chris Derian's 13 made them top scorers for the Pacers. Sean with nine and Craig Osgood with seven plus Andrew Campbell's five were scoring leaders for the Knicks.

Dennis DiCenso, player coach Chuck Osgood and Stephen Brennick hustled on defense for the Knicks. Dave Johnson, Pranav Vaidya and Chris Styles had a number of key assists for the Pacers.

Celtics vs Lakers

The Celtics defeated the Lakers 57-26. Tom Duffy with 13, Ryan Tildsley with 6, Mark Krsynansky (18) and Dave Rappoli with two were the scoring leaders for the Celtics.

Ryan Parsons with 13, Brandon Badalto's six led the way for the Lakers. David Velardo, Steve Haepers and Derek Courtois were immense on defense for the Lakers. Joe Cavanaugh, Matt Lecesse and Mike Cherabino played a strong offensive game for the Celtics.

Spurs vs Bulls

The Spurs outduelled the Bulls 56-48. Matt (13) and Michael Jordan (9) plus Ryan Graham (12) were the Spur sharpshooters while Jason Stark (20) and Joe Ferrari (8) were the scoring leaders for the Bulls.

John Lee, Philip Mallard and Greg Bendel pulled down many rebounds for the Bulls, Jon Baker, Phil O'Brien and Mark Hodder chipped in with key buckets for the Spurs.

Western Athletic Conference

Air Force vs Tulsa

Dan Peterson and Michael Thomas led the way with 10 points each. Scoring for Tulsa were Ryan Dooky with four and Ryan Jones and Matt Figuerido with two each.

James Savage, Carton Lentini and Chris Lavin added key hoops for Air Force while Bradley Lucas and Alan Dooley played strong defense for Tulsa.

Fresno State vs UTEP

In a defensive battle, William Starrett with four, Dana Steenbruggen, Brian Connolly all scored two for Fresno while Max Wilkins, Ryan Ruggiero both had two and James Celeste made one for UTEP.

John Lyons, Matt Pennie, Andrew Valente and Alex Solen played tough defense for their teams.

Rice vs Hawaii

Rice defeated Hawaii 24-9. Patrick Ryan led all scorers with 12 points with Kyle Borseti and Greg Stewart adding four each for Rice. Trevor Cormier had seven and Steve Ventre two for Hawaii. Nick Duggan and Steven Shibilis played a great all-around game for Hawaii while Evan Borseti, Mike Leonardo and Justin Cerra also scored for Rice.

George Washington vs Xavier George Washington defeated Xavier 18-4. Christina Luciano was too tough to handle as she scored 10 with help from Kerri Stinson (6) and Danielle Bamberg (2).

Scoring for Xavier were Jill

Manganelli with two and Katelyn Maggio with two. Alicia Faulkner and Jennifer Paris played strong defense for GW with Kayla Malone and Nicole Nihan doing the same for their team.

Wyoming vs Utah

Wyoming had its offense in gear with a big victory over Utah by the score of 44-20. High scorers for Wyoming were William Stokey with 12, Matt Bibeau with 12 and Mike Larfello with 10. High scorers for Utah were Shane Simbeck with six, Chris Bocchino with four and Dan Bemis with two.

Also contributing big scores for Wyoming were Josh Mayo, Derek Stokey, Nathan Mercer and David Reed. John Lippiello, Keith Quigley and Steve Carr stole the show for Utah.

New Mexico vs BYU

Leading the way for the Lobos were Kyle Nims with seven, Chris Dancone with eight and Josh Giroux with four. Top scorers for BYU were Jon Churichiello with five, Brendon Sheehan and Billy Long with two each.

Mike Stewart, Cameron Sylvester and Frankie Stevens played an inspired game for BYU. Pradheep Vemula, Kevin Cavanaugh and Michael Kelly also chipped in with key buckets for New Mexico.

UNLV vs Colorado State

UNLV outscored Colorado State 26-9. James Cuoco with eight, Tim Kent with six, Tim Forte and Brendon DeMango both with four,

led the way for the Running Rebels. Bob McIsaac with three, Mike Derian and Jesse Belding with two apiece and Chris Acevedo participated in the balanced scoring for Colorado State.

Jon Bishop and Andrew Marra hustled on defense for Colorado State. Mike Giambernardini and Kevin Skinner played a great all around game for UNLV.

Atlantic 10 Conference

Fordham vs Temple

Top scorers for Fordham were Addie Saloman with 12, Danielle Giordano with six and Christine Marques with four. Top scorers for Temple were Eileen Warford and Brianne Bozzella with six points and Jillian Maranda with two.

Fordham was led by excellent passing from Jennifer O'Neill, Colleen Magee and Shannon Metcalfe with multiple assists. Susan Livermore, Chelsea Gish and Alyssa Brown played a strong defensive game for Temple.

UMass vs LaSalle

UMass was led on offense by Stephanie "The Mad Bomber" Sauve who led the way with 12 points. Other scorers for UMass were Brooke Langone with four and Ashley Troy with two.

LaSalle was led by Katelyn Sullivan with eight points, Kathryn Nelson with two and Candace Knopf with two. Jessica Stira, Rebecca Roberts and Sarah McMahon played tenacious defense down the stretch for UMass. Elysha Clancy and Kimberly Silvia displayed great hustle for LaSalle.

St. Joe's vs URI

In another close battle St. Joe's defeated URI 11-8. St. Joe's was led on offense by Samantha Canning with eight points, Danielle Robarge with two and Dana Nolan with one. Ashley Bruno led the way for URI with four points followed by Kate

McGrath and Cassie Doherty with two points apiece.

Tarah Bucuzinski and Alana Bush controlled the offense for St. Joe's with their fine passing. Christa Cavallaro, Tierah Jacobs and Colleen Carroll hustled at both ends of the floor for URI.

Ivy League

Yale vs Dartmouth

Yale defeated Dartmouth 26-13. Yale was led on offense by Julia MacDougall with eight points, Marjorie Taylor with six along with Jillian Guzinski and Kristina Ghafari with four points apiece.

Dartmouth was led on offense by Kelly Crosby with nine points and Erin Magee and Kristen Nollett with two. Charisse Marchesi, Caitlin Harrington and Taylor Duffy led Yale's tenacious defense. Katelyn Roberts, Catherine Sheerin and Danielle Roux hustled at both ends of the floor for Dartmouth.

Cornell vs Princeton

Christina Tocci led Cornell in scoring with eight points followed by Alicia Murray with six, Nicole Sauve with four and Lani Cabral Pini with four.

Top scorers for Princeton were Megan Godding and Ashley Poirier with four. Jillian Martell and Julie MacIsaac were tough at both ends of the court for Cornell. Ryan Murphy and Jessica Santos played an inspired game for Princeton. Final score Cornell 28-Princeton 14.

Harvard vs Columbia

Harvard defeated Columbia 21-19. Stephanie Ramsdell led Harvard's offense with 19 of the team's 12 points. Courtney Browne also scored for Harvard.

Top scorers for Columbia were Amy McHale with eight points and Debbie Lyons with five. Nicole Broderick, Katelyn Enwright and

Brittany Collins played solid defense for Harvard. Jessica Brouillard, Eileen Jordan and Lauren Brassil showed great hustle at both ends of the floor for Columbia.

WNBA

Comets vs Mercury

The Comets defeated Mercury 22-19. Bryanna Moroney with 10 and Krista Roberts with six were the top scorers for the Comets. Stephanie Gamble and Kristin Pizzotti each had six and Shannon Gilligan five for the Mercury.

Meredith Bransfield, Jessica Saporito and Mary Sullivan played outstanding defense for the Mercury.

Sting vs Monarch

The Sting outscored the Monarchs 32-29. Lyndsey Borsetti and Katie Haepers scored 10 apiece while Kristin Sauve added eight for the Sting. Sherri Thresher with 13 and Shannon Foley with six led the way for the Monarch.

Rachel DiGregorio, Brittany Irwin and Jackie Brown had a number of assists for the Monarchs. Kaitlyn Jordan, Lauren Cushing and Holly Flynn had strong defensive performances for the victors.

Liberty vs Rockers

Liberty prevailed over the Rockers 41-25. Lauren Rappoli with eight, Kristen Frizol with six and Arianna

Mills with four led the Rocker attack while Lisa Antonangeli's 15 points, Kellianne Sweeney's 10 and Margoux Hery's five made them the top scorers for the Liberty.

Katie Halas, Kristin Fraser and Marianne Hery chipped in with strong offensive performances for the Liberty. Melissa Marques, Jennifer Earls and Michelle Brush played inspired defense for the Rockers.

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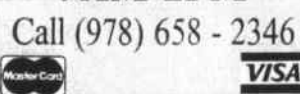
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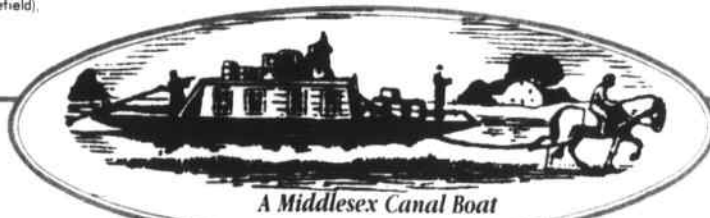
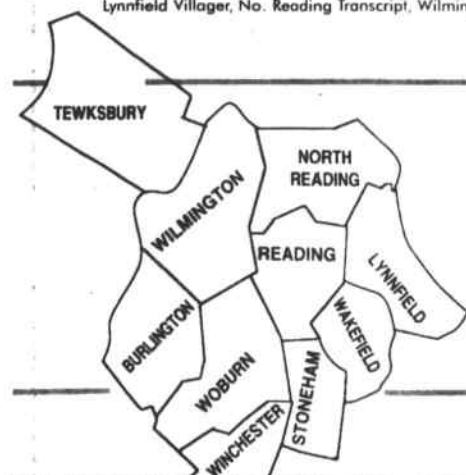
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Lock Monsters: More than just hockey



By STEVE ALGERI

LOWELL'S LOCK MONSTERS are attracting a new breed of fan at their home in the Paul Tsongas Arena. Many activities such as the one shown above, throwing non-lethal hockey pucks into trash cans in order to win

prizes making for an entertaining evening plus some pretty fine hockey. The \$43 million facility is brand spanking new and is easy to get to from the Lowell Connector at Route 3 and 495.

The revitalization of Lowell continues with the addition of the American Hockey League team, the Lowell Lock Monsters, being added to the landscape.

The fledgling franchise has been nothing but run first class during its early days. Now if the fan base could expand, they'd really have something in Lowell.

The new 43-million dollar Paul Tsongas Arena, about a 20-25-minute ride for hockey fans located near the Rte. 93

and 128 cloverleaf, debuted last February. The setting is great for hockey with a maximum attendance of 6,500. The fans are right on the action and the sightlines are near perfect.

So far through 13 home dates going into the Dec. 2 game against the Providence Bruins, the Lock Monsters have averaged 3,164 fans, which is 18th in the 19-team league. The AHL average is 5,182. That is a bit disappointing, but not discouraging.

Against Providence, which figures to be Lowell's top at-

traction because of the ties to the Bruins, the first meeting on Saturday, Oct. 24 at Tsongas Arena drew 5,503. For the Dec. 2 game on a Wednesday night, the crowd was 3,244.

"I'm not concerned by the attendance," said Tom Rowe, executive vice president and chief official of operations. "The weather has been so warm, that not everyone is thinking hockey at this time of year. We are not the only team in the league being affected by that."

Rowe went on to say he has been surprised by the Hockey East market which Tsongas

tenant UMass Lowell plays in and the closeness to Boston (25 miles) has played into it also.

"It will take the rest of this year for us to really catch on and by this time next year we should be established," said Rowe.

The New York Islanders are the parent club to the Lowell team. The Lock Monsters organization has worked hard at not only providing good entertainment on the ice — the team is in first place — but also providing good entertainment when the game stops.

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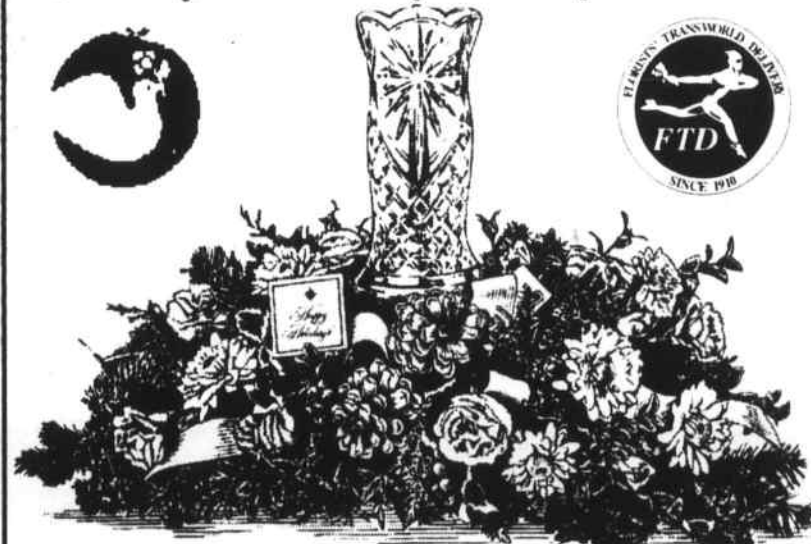
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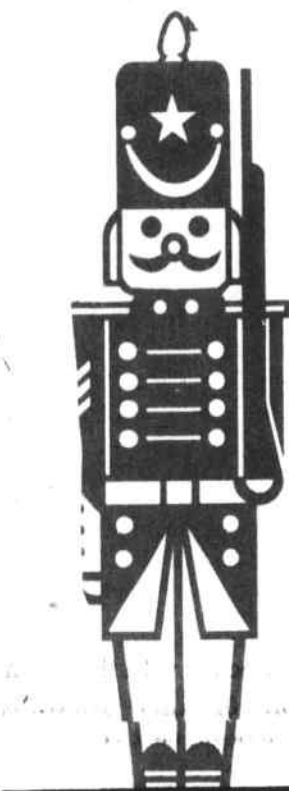
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of creations to spark your imagination. The selection of items changes frequently so please call NCECP at 781-279-4658 with any questions. Callers can also get the details on the Yankee Magazine fundraiser which includes a free cookbook.

The Recycle/Resource Center is a community service project provided by the National Coalition for Educational and Cultural Programs, Inc. a local nonprofit group benefitting children by supporting teachers and families since 1991.

Birth

MR. and MRS. KEITH HENNESSEY (Kathy McKenna) of Stoneham announce the birth of their first child, a son, Andrew Keith on September 25, 1998 at the Winchester Hospital.

Grandparent honors are extended to Peggy and Jack McKenna of Stoneham and Norman Weinrebe of Randolph. Great grandparent honors go to Peggy and Pat DiMartino of Stoneham.

About The Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

Priorities in Winchester

"Vehicles and communication systems topped the list of priorities for both the Police and Fire departments, as their respective five-year capital requests were presented to the Capital Planning Committee..." notes the Winchester edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"For Fiscal 2000, the Police Department requested a total of \$136,630 in capital funds, including \$71,500 for three new cruisers, \$16,500 for improvements to the internal communication system, and \$48,630 for the police-fire communications console and monitoring system."

"Vehicle replacement is a recurring item, requested on a yearly basis. The internal communications upgrade is expected to take place over four years, and the police-fire communications console and monitoring system is scheduled to be completed within three years."

"Police Chief Joseph Peritano explained that cruisers require routine replacement due to high mileage and near constant use. 'Cruisers are a 24-hour-a-day operation. Even when they are not being driven, they are more than likely running. So it is not only mileage, but also the hours spent running which adds to the wear and tear.'"

"The Police Department requested three new cruisers for fiscal 2000, two for fiscal 2001, three for fiscal 2002, two for fiscal 2003, and three in fiscal 2004. As new cruisers are bought, older models will be rotated into reserve status. Current reserve vehicles would then be rotated out of use, or recycled elsewhere in the town system."

"At this time, the Police Department has a fleet of 13 vehicles: one utility vehicle, one T-bird for undercover operations, and eleven Ford LTDs. Four of the Ford LTDs are at the front of the line and being used 15 to 24 hours out of the day. The older cruisers are listed as in use only eight hours of the day; several are six to eight years old and have well over 100,000 miles on them...."

Renaissance in Stoneham

"In the days of black and white television and John Glenn's first space flight, residents of Stoneham used to see friendly faces under the blue hats and above the silver shields," notes the "Stoneham Independent."

"Since that time, however, the art of policing in the country has undergone a steady change, with the 'beat cops' slowly being replaced by police cruisers. Where there once was trust built up between the residents of small towns and their officers, there became a wariness and

A wish list, a renaissance, and lights (in the North)

unease between the two groups.

"According to Officer Herbert Moore, a policing renaissance, dubbed community policing, is now occurring at the Stoneham Police Department and throughout the country. The movement is aimed at establishing a bond between the Police Department and the people they serve."

"Moore, director of Community Policing, explained that the trend began in Stoneham about five years ago when the town received approximately \$9,000 in grant money from the state. He and four other officers then went about the task of setting up different means of communicating with the public."

"We decided, let's take this money and stretch it as far as we can because \$9,000 doesn't go far," he said. "We were motivated and dedicated to this thing."

"Since then, the Community Policing body has grown to nine officers and the budget has grown to approximately \$600,000, Moore said, thanks to state and federal grants. The programs which this money funds focus mainly on interaction with children and seniors, the two sets of people who most need the security that police provide."

"Community policing is kind of going back to the old type of policing when they were walking the beats and getting close to the community," Moore said...."

Lights in North Reading

"They say you can't stop progress and this apparently includes the proliferation of traffic signals in town," notes the "North Reading Transcript."

"Just a few years ago, there were only two sets of traffic lights on Route 28. Now there are seven."

"And two more sets of lights will shortly be added on Route 62 in conjunction with the reconstruction of that roadway planned to begin next year."

"A full set of lights at the intersection of Freedom Drive, Park and Winter Sts. has always been included in the Route 62 project. Now there will be lights in the center of town at the intersection of Haverhill and Park Sts., thanks to a decision by the Board of Selectmen."

"The Selectmen voted 4 to 1 to approve the lights at Park and Haverhill so they can be included in the project. This way the cost of the signals can be folded into the project and paid for with state and federal funds rather than town money."

"The traffic signals were supported by the Department of Public Works, Police and Fire Departments and signed off by the Historic District Commission, based on promises the signals will be aesthetically attractive and unobtrusive."

"DPW Director Dave Hanlon agreed the intersection barely

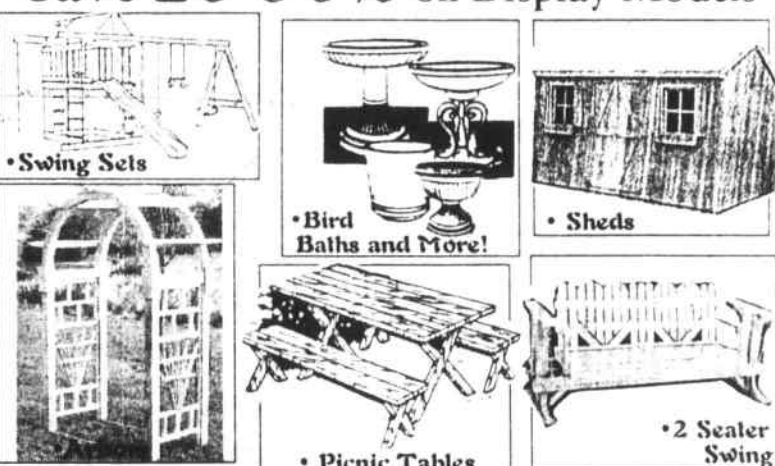
meets the standards for traffic signals at this time, but felt that traffic will only get worse in the next few years and now is the time to go forward, based on the outside funding source."

Selectmen chairman Joe Veno agreed. "I'm in favor of lights there. If we don't go forward with it now, we'll miss them later," he said...."

"About the Towns" covers recent events in the 10-town Middlesex East area. Because Middlesex East deadlines are early, please check the front sections of this paper for up-to-date information about your city or town. We also welcome original material - please send it to Phyllis Nissen, "About the Towns," Middlesex East Supplement, Box 240, Reading, MA 01867.

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Lock Monsters

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The usual hard-driving rock tunes fill the sound system during stoppages of play and there are giveaways sprinkled in with the crowd actively involved. Between periods is when the real extra-curricular activities take place.

The two intermissions are a bit longer than most. Two 18-minute breaks are six minutes longer than the two 15-minute intermissions in NHL games.

And in Providence, the home of the Bruins affiliate in the AHL, it has just one 18-minute break for promotions.

"The eighteen-minute breaks really only give us six minutes to do something each period," said Christine Bednarz of the Lock Monsters marketing department. "We have to be off the ice by 12 minutes so the zamboni can get on."

The \$1 per chance promotion "Chuck-A-Puck" can win a lucky fan on average \$250. A foam puck with a number on it can be purchased during the

game with the opportunity to throw it from the stands at a small target near center ice. The puck closest to the target results in someone taking home a cash prize.

"That has been our best promotion," said Bednarz. "We discovered that the East Coast Hockey League team in South Carolina was doing that and decided to use it here."

There are also youth hockey nights where local teams play for six minutes between the periods.

Upcoming promotions include a "Kids Night" this Friday with Santa Claus making an early visit as well as a couple of Looney Toons characters. WEET's "A Team" of Eddie Andelman and Dale Arnold will be conducting the search for the perfect hockey players for their mythical respective teams.

On Saturday, Dec. 19, Pepsi will donate five eight-foot stockings. Fans are being asked to bring a stuffed animal to the game and throw it on the ice after the first Lock Monsters goal so they can be swept up and be part of the local Toys for Tots drive.

"Basically what I do is talk to other teams and travel to local games to see what other teams are doing for promotions," said Bednarz. "I've been to Providence, Springfield and Worcester, but I've had many people tell me we are the most entertaining and the atmosphere is clean and friendly."

For the average fan who simply wants a beer and a hot dog between periods, he'll find he won't have to break out the Visa card like in most NHL venues (hello, FleetCenter). Still, it is not bargain prices either.

"We're in the middle of the road as far as our concessions are concerned," said Rowe. "A family of four on average can spend \$50 for a great night out. People seem to enjoy that."

A quick review of the concession prices find a 16-ounce Budweiser priced at \$3.75, a soft pretzel for \$2.25, an average sized hot dog for \$2.50 and a 16-ounce Pepsi for \$1.50. And when it comes time for hockey, the Lock Monsters have not

Middlesex East Sports Athletes & Activities

BY PAUL FEELY

MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION: Who is the only player to win the Heisman Trophy twice? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

WAKEFIELD'S ANN DITONNA is a student athlete participating in the sport of swimming at Salem State College. She is a sophomore member of the 1998 swim team, and a graduate of Wakefield High School.

READING'S JOHN O'LEARY has four points thus far this season as a member of the Trinity College men's ice hockey team, which sports a 3-3 record.

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletic (NAIA) has announced that D. Bruce MacGregor, a former basketball coach at Reading Memorial High School and Husson College in Bangor, Maine, will be formally inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame on March 9, 1999

in Nampa, Idaho as part of the NAIA Division II Men's Basketball Championship.

The award is the highest honor presented by the NAIA. Nominees must be persons of outstanding quality, high moral character, fine leadership quality and must be held in high esteem by their colleagues.

Coach MacGregor compiled an impressive list of coaching accomplishments in his career including:

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READING'S MEGAN LAVOIE, a senior at Vassar College, was a member of the field hockey team which com-

pleted a 10-5-0 regular season record and qualified for post-season competition in the New York State Championship. She served as cocaptain on the team, which posted a four-game win streak at the end of the season, and was ranked ninth in the region in mid-October.

The Central Massachusetts Mavericks Baseball Club will be holding fall tryouts in Reading for players who will be 13 or 14 years old by next spring. Team selection will be made at the end of October, for play next season. There is no cost for tryouts. The total cost of the program is \$50. Teams will play in the Massachusetts AAU Junior Olympic Baseball Program. For more information and to register for tryouts call 1-508-842-5725.

Need some clues to help out with the above-mentioned trivia question? His first name is the same as a famous cartoon character.

TEWKSBURY'S MIKE ADAMS was a member of the 400 Free Relay team at UMass-Dartmouth that captured its second victory in as many outings at a recent swim meet.

WOBURN'S ERIN HENNESSEY helped the Tufts University women's soccer team to a 5-4 win over Wellesley in the NCAA Division 3 New England Region tournament final on Sunday.

NORTH READING'S ANDREW CASEY had three goals and five assists for 11 points in 17 games as a member of the Lehigh men's soccer team. The club finished with a 12-4-1 overall record.

ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION: The player is Archie Griffin. Congratulations to those that answered the question correctly, and look for this space next week to find another sports-related trivia question.

DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T? If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200 between 7 am and 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or fax information at 781-942-0884.



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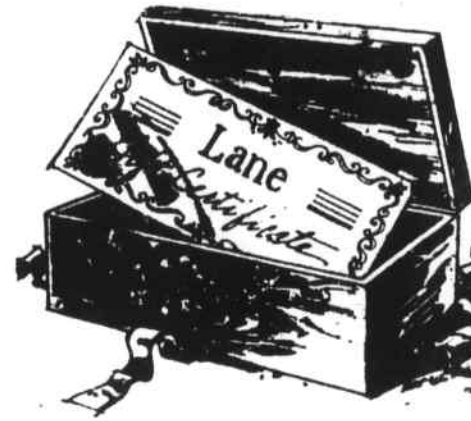


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Kristjan Asgerisson will conduct the Lancaster Chamber Orchestra together with soloists Connie Drexler, Soprano; Nina Stepniak, Alto; Daniel Drexler, Tenor; and Pall Kalmansson, Bass in a Messiah Sing. All are invited to come and sing with the orchestra.

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REGISTRY DAY FOR VICTORIAN HOMES

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A Festival of Carols will be presented by The Boston Boy Choir at St. Paul Church, Harvard Square. John Dunn, Director, with the Beacon Brass and the St. Paul Men's Schola. Featured will be *The Christmas Cantata* by Boston Composer, Daniel Pinkham.

Selections will be offered by the BACS Handbell Choir directed by Joseph Policelli. The audience will be invited to join in the singing. This concert is certain to lift your spirit and enhance your holiday celebration.

Performances of the 36th annual Christmas Concert will be on Sunday December 20, at 3:30 pm and on Friday evening, December 18, at 8 pm.

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Birth

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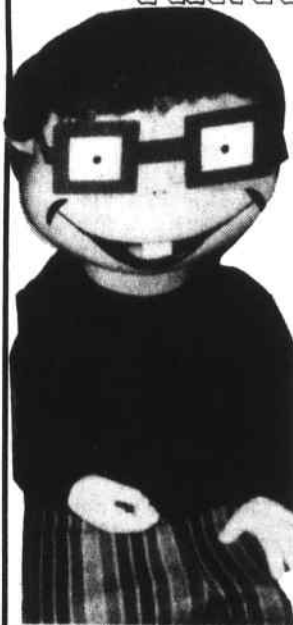
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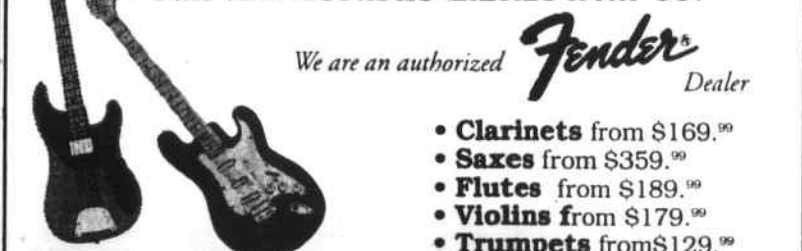
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However, according to the Centers for Disease Control, 85 percent of those cases could actually be avoided if people practiced proper food handling.

As you enter the plethora of parties and potlucks this holiday season, rank food safety high on your list of great gifts to give. Here's how to play it safe:

Giving A Party?

The harmful bacteria that causes food poisoning can be in food when you purchase it, or it may be transferred to foods through poor personal hygiene or contamination from other foods, such as the juices from raw meat dripping on vegetables you are slicing. Use these strategies to ensure you serve safe foods—

Concentrate on cleanliness

- Wash your hands before and after handling food.

- Be sure to wash utensils, cutting boards and countertops between steps in food preparation.

Keep hot foods hot (over 140°F)

- Cook foods thoroughly, use a food thermometer to make sure they reach a safe temperature of 160° - 180°F.

- Use chafing dishes, crock pots and warming trays to hold food at 140°F while they are on the buffet line.

- Serve foods on small platters and refresh their supply (in clean serving dishes) frequently. Keep extra hot food in the oven at 200°F. Keep cold foods cold (40°F or lower)

- You can hold their temperature by nesting serving dishes in bowls of ice.

- Keep track of how long foods have been sitting out. Throw away any food that's sat around for more than two hours.

Going To A Party?

Scope out the buffet line before you start eating. Are the same safe handling practices in place at this party? If not, shy away from foods that are not properly served. If you know you will be arriving late to a party, satisfy your appetite at home first. Chances are by the time you get to the celebration most of the food has been picked over or has sat out for some time.

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17 centers across state

Problem gambling treatable

In Massachusetts, gambling is serious business. And for some people, it's a serious problem.

Help is now available for Massachusetts residents who have been impacted by problem gambling. Treatment centers for problem gambling have been designated in 17 cities and towns across the state.

These clinics are charged with the responsibility of treating both gamblers and family members, regardless of financial circumstances. Oftentimes these sites serve as the gateway to treatment for problem gam-

blers, who in many cases, have suffered the effects of problem wagering for years and even decades.

From Boston to Springfield from Falmouth to Lowell, the centers are staffed by trained professionals in the field of compulsive gambling.

Much like those who develop uncontrollable urges for alcohol, drugs, and tobacco, many people develop an uncontrollable addiction to gambling. About 4.5 percent of the general population - or at least 180,000 Massachusetts residents - are at

risk for problem gambling.

Not only do problem gamblers squander relatively large sums of money, they can lose personal relationships, jobs and businesses, and mental and physical health. Some commit crimes to feed their gambling habit and wind up in prison. And some, unable to cope with the financial and emotional wreckage of compulsive gambling, commit suicide.

There is mounting scientific evidence that people who are addicted to gambling will respond positively to similar techniques used to alcohol and drug treatment. Therefore, the following local Department of public health's Bureau of Substance Abuse Services licensed agencies are also funded to provide gambling treatment services: Mt. Auburn Center for Problem Gambling, Cambridge 617-499-5194, Project Cope, Lynn 781-581-9270, CAB Health & Recovery Services, Salem 978-745-8890; Lowell House Inc., Lowell 978-459-8656.

Cancer patient counseling available on toll free number

Edith M. is a fighter-and a survivor. She was courageous in battling two bouts with cancer, but when her doctor recently diagnosed a third, unrelated cancer in her throat, her spirits flagged.

"I just didn't know where to turn," Edith said. "I didn't know how I would find the strength to go on." Then she found out about the Cancer Care Counseling Line, 1-800-813-HOPE.

Cancer is often a frightening, overwhelming experience. Friends and family members may feel they don't know what to do or say, and in many communities, professional support for cancer patients and their families is very limited-or nonexistent. People don't know where to turn for information or guidance.

Cancer Care, Inc., a New York based social service organization, is one of the few with a large staff of professional, accredited social workers. For more than 50 years, Cancer Care has offered information, education, counseling and financial support to patients and their families. Last year, thanks to a grant from Bristol-Meyers Squibb, the agency was able to expand its services through an 800 number staffed by licensed clinical social workers.

"Edith was very downhearted when she called," said Jane Levy, Social Work Supervisor, of the Counseling Line. Ms. Levy, an accredited social worker, talked with Edith about the resources she had in her life, and within herself-her family, her church, her own beliefs.

"I reminded her of her earlier

courage, and helped her think about how she could use them again," Jane Levy said.

The Cancer Care Counseling Line, 1-800-813-HOPE, is free of charge to all callers and open from 9 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday (EST).

Views about podiatry vary across the country

Do you know what podiatric medicine is? Would you go to a podiatrist for treatment of foot pain? Your answers may depend on where you live.

"Attitudes Toward Foot Care," a survey of 1,000 Americans conducted for the American Podiatric Medical Association, found that geography plays a part in attitudes toward foot care and podiatric medicine.

Once a medical problem of the foot arises, Northerners are the most likely to visit a podiatric physician. Twenty-two percent of the survey respondents in the Northeast said they visited a podiatrist for heel pain, while only 5 percent of Southerners and 4 percent of Westerners went for the same reason.

Similarly, Northeasterners

were more than twice as likely to see a podiatric physician about athlete's foot, general foot pain, and thickened or deformed toenails than their counterparts in the South or West.

Wherever you live, the APMA says foot pain should not be ignored because it could signal other serious medical problems. Deformed thickened or discolored toenails could signal iron deficiency, psoriasis or impending heart failure. Heel pain also is a signal to seek medical attention because of the many afflictions that contribute to it, such as heel spurs, arthritis or bursitis.

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Folks I loved those, Burma Shave signs of long, long ago like, "Don't stick your elbow OUT too far-it may end up in another car." Burma Shave.

During WW-II some recruits came straight off the farms. Some were being trained at Camp Dix. The drill sgt. shouted, "Aw right, lift up your left foot and keep it UP!" One young soldier lifted up his right foot-so he was standing next to a soldier with his Left foot up. The Sgt. from away down the line yelled, "who's the blooming idiot with BOTH FEET off the ground?"

Chris Corbelle and I, finished a "FIFTH" for the Fourth of July.

When I was on the WPA, my crew was sent to the Point of Pines. A resident ran out and asked me, "what are you men doing here?" "We are going to repair the street," I replied. "Oh!" he exclaimed, "I see so many 'STATUES' I thought you were building a PARK."

Teacher Maria Cole asked the class, "who can stand up and give me two words that have the most LETTERS in them?" My nephew Dennis Tully stood up and said, "Post Office have the most letters."

Kathy told me that "Alligator Skins" make the most expensive women's shoes. I smiled and asked her, "do you know what

makes the best SLIPPERS?" "NO What?" she asked, I ducked for cover just in time as I shouted, "BANANA SKINS!"

The police radio blurted out, "Attention all cars, investigate a report of 'Top-less Bathers' in the vicinity of Kelly's on the Beach." I dashed down there myself (after all this was an emergency). Well Folks, others thought so too-there were police cars from many neighboring cities and towns and even one from New Hampshire. Well, it wasn't a false alarm-there were indeed TOP-LESS Bathers-all "MEN and Boys." Some women, came close-BUT no cigars.

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School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

Intervention in Woburn

"If skipping school seems like a good way to get a mini-vacation - think again, say school administrators," notes the Woburn edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The school department was recently awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Middlesex County district attorney's office to implement a pilot truancy intervention program for juniors and seniors at Woburn High."

"Students who are truant will attend school on Saturdays in a multi-faceted program."

"Despite academic successes and the impact of DARE and the community-based justice program over the past eight years, the grant application notes, 'we have a number of students who are continually tardy for school, leave the school building during the day, or do not come to school on a specific day.'"

"Previously, juniors and seniors faced increasing suspensions for truancy (freshmen and sophomores can be assigned in-house suspensions, but administrators reportedly found that not to be especially effective for the older students)."

"The suspensions are problematic, however, the grant application noted, because most parents work during the day and the children are unsupervised; and more academic time is lost."

"Now, these students will come to school on Saturdays from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; the number of Saturday sessions will depend on how much school they missed and how much work they have to make up...."

Unanimous in Tewksbury

"With a unanimous vote, the School Committee decided to oppose any future expansion of the methadone treatment program that is currently being operated from the Tewksbury State Hospital," notes the "Tewksbury Town Crier."

"While Superintendent Dr. Christine McGrath said that the hospital's director, Raymond Sanzone, has expressed that they are not intending to add

Saturdays not a walk in the park (in Woburn)

more to the heroine addiction treatment program which serves approximately 18 individuals in the general hospital population, committee members still expressed concern over the safety of John Wynn Middle School students who attend classes nearby."

"I'd like to go on record as saying that we oppose any methadone distribution on Tewksbury Hospital grounds," said member Edward Doherty, who spearheaded the discussion. "The problem is that we have 1,000 students abutting the property."

"According to McGrath, the hospital has said that it intends to dispense the methadone doses from the hospital's pharmacy as opposed to at the various buildings on the site which house male and female patients in the process of overcoming drug and alcohol problems. However, Doherty said that there are conflicting opinions of what may actually be done and cited minutes from several of the hospital's summer meetings...."

Shadowing in Lynnfield

"The Lynnfield Business Coalition for Better Schools sponsored the fifth Professional Shadowing Day for Lynnfield High School students entering

their junior year," notes the "Lynnfield Villager."

"This year 35 students took advantage of the program."

"The purpose of Professional Shadowing Day is to acquaint the students with a profession that they are contemplating for the future."

"The Lynnfield Business Coalition for Better Schools would like to thank the following sponsors that participated in the program this year making this day a huge success: Al Spagnolo, Spagnolo-Gisness & Associates, Boston; Helen Hammond, Boston Symphony Orchestra, Boston; Attorney Scott Geller, Lynnfield; Bill Costa, KISS 108 FM, Medford; Jeff Berlin, KISS 108 FM, Medford; Peggy O'Kelly Whalen, Northeastern University, Boston; Neal Bocian, Prime Communications, Wakefield; Donna Gorden, Bozell Kamstra, Peabody; Michael Tiedemann, BBG New Media, Stoneham; Ted Manning, Northeastern University Marine Center, Nahant; Frank Bianco, Campus Academy, Wakefield; Tom

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"The Business Coalition for Better Schools also extends a special thank you to Mildred Forbes at Lynnfield High School who once again served as teacher-liaison for the program."

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Slit the center, pull one end through. Bake cookies at 350°F for 8 - 10
minutes. Blend 1 tablespoon of sugar in 1 cup of honey over low heat, then
dribble onto cooled cookies. You can sprinkle crushed nuts on top and/or dust
with powdered sugar.

ITALIAN COOKIES
2 cups Crisco/shortening 2 cups sugar 4 egg yolks (save the whites)
1 tsp vanilla 1 tsp lemon 5 cups flour
4 tps baking powder 1 tsp of salt small amount of milk
small amount of maraschino cherries nut pieces

Mix together all the ingredients. Form into neat tablespoon mounds. Press an
indent in the middle with your thumb. Drag through the whites of the eggs that you
saved. Top with a half cherry or a nut. Bake at 350°F until brown. These are
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"What does that mean?" Some commonly
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of another, falling short of ownership or
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EFFECTIVE GROSS INCOME. Annual gross
rents less vacancy loss and legal fees.

EMINENT DOMAIN. Right of government
to take private property for public pur-
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END LOAN. Final loan made to buyer for
purchase of newly constructed residential
buildings.

EQUITY. Market value of a property less
mortgage debt.

Your home: Q & A

Question: We're determined to use our fireplace this year. Can you recommend a chainsaw that will work for cutting wood down to usable sizes?

Answer: You've basically got two choices when shopping for a chain saw - electric and gas. Electric models don't require you to mix gas and oil, they are easy to start and are better for occasional and light duty use, according to Phil Bird of The Home Depot.

Gas models, on the other hand, will give you freedom from using a cord, are more powerful for larger duty jobs and can be found in up to 20-inch bar lengths. Generally, the longer the bar length, the larger and more powerful the engine. For kindling, the electric model might suit you fine, but to trim larger trees, you may want to

look at buying a gas model. Bird also recommends wearing ear and eye protection, as well as gloves, when working with chain saws.

Question: I understand there is a new type of light switch on the market. Tell me about it.

Answer: You probably mean the motion sensor switch that automatically turns on the light when a moving heat source like you or your kids enter the room. As long as the switch detects motion, the light stays on. And then when the moving heat source exits, the light shuts off. "It's an alternative to constantly asking the kids, or an absent-minded spouse, to turn off the lights," said Stephanie Wargo, an expert with The Home Depot.

Question: We're looking for a

heater to use on a construction site. What's the difference between kerosene and propane?

Answer: Kerosene heaters can be used in construction during framing and to provide freeze protection and warm moist heat for bricklaying and concrete work. Kerosene heaters also have high capacity fans which force warm convection heat into the working environment quickly. Propane tank top and convection heaters don't require electricity to operate and use 20 pound cylinders. They're best used in finished construction, for do-it-yourself projects in a garage and for heating outdoor activities.

GMAC announces acquisition of Carlson Real Estate

GMAC Home Service announced today the acquisition of Eastern Massachusetts Real Estate, Inc. (Carlson) and its subsidiary companies, Carlson Real Estate, Norwood Real Estate and Landry, Lyons & Whyte located in Boston, New Hampshire and Western Massachusetts, respectively. The subsidiary companies are franchises of Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Service.

The acquisition also includes the purchase of Carlson's mortgage company.

Terms of the Transactions were not disclosed.

"We are excited to announce the Carlson purchase," said Allen Sabbag, president of GMAC Home Services real

Very popular

Hardwood and laminate floors

Flooring trends may come and go, but hardwood remains an age-old choice for homeowners.

Wood flooring has an appeal that is nearly universal. When combined with area rugs, wood floors create a sense of warmth and elegance that can be adapted to any decor, whether traditional, country or contemporary. Advances in manufacturing processes and technology mean more choices for the homeowner, whether you're looking for the real thing or a very-close look-alike.

Unfinished solid hardwood flooring can be found in 2 inch- and 4 inch- wide strips and is

usually available in random lengths.

Prefinished planks, which are composed of the hardwood strips that have been laminated to a plywood base, can also be found in a variety of stained colors with multiple coats of a polyurethane varnish topcoat.

Factory-applied coatings give the prefinished planks layers and layers of protection against everyday wear. These finishes also cut down on maintenance so all that is required is to sweep the floor and occasionally do a light cleaning.

All types of strip flooring have tongue-and-groove edges that make joining the pieces a relatively easy process, according to Kevin O'Gea, with The Home Depot. He said that options for installation include

nail-down, glue-down and "floating" where the material rests on a thin foam pad. These choices let you install a wood floor over just about any subfloor, even concrete.

Fooling the eye

If you want the look of wood but not the maintenance and worry, consider installing laminate flooring.

Don't confuse laminate flooring with real wood flooring that is laminated in thin layers. Laminate flooring is actually a synthetic material, but looks surprisingly real and has become extremely popular because of its durability. It has a processed wood core, similar to particleboard, sandwiched between a layer of melamine laminate and an undersized backing that prevents warping.

Any look will do

Laminate flooring will fool your eyes with designs that mimic stone, stenciled patterns and virtually every wood-look, from traditional pine strips to intricate inlays. Pergo, for example, has floors that duplicate almost every wood from knotty pine and cherry to painted checkerboard designs.

Each Pergo plank measures roughly 8 inches by 47 inches. It's a floating floor and therefore does not have to be nailed or glued to the subfloor, making for simple installation and a cushioned feel underfoot. Because the planks are only a third of an inch thick, they can be installed right on top of most old hard-surface floors with relative ease.

Its slick surface resists dirt and grime, so many spills just sponge away, and heavier cleaning requires no more than a damp mop with a diluted soap-free household cleaner. Most laminate flooring is guaranteed not to dent, stain or fade and because of its composition, should never be waxed, sanded or refinished. The wear-resistant finish actually repels tar, oil and nail polish.

"Name any kind of wood and there's probably a laminate look-alike for it," said O'Gea. "It's a smart alternative for people who want the elegant look of hardwood, but don't want to constantly worry about wear and tear."

Realtor Names in the News

RE/MAX Top Achievers, Inc. congratulates Meg Michaels on being Broker of the Month for excellence in listing and sales for the month of November.



Meg Michaels

Meg attributes her continued success to her commitment to professionalism and service. She has an active membership in the Eastern Middlesex Association of Realtors, and the National Association of Realtors and holds the GRI (Graduate Realtor Institute) and CRS (Certified Residential Specialist) designations for continuing real estate education.

Meg can be reached at 100 Main Street, Reading or at 781-944-6060, ext. 240 or by email at <megmichaels@realtor.com>.

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38 MAIN ST. U-19 purchased by Dennis Farrell from Sandra Doctor-Kane for \$69,000.

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69 VALLEY RD. purchased by Donna Welch from Ralph and Maria Sanchez for \$198,500.

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22 DALE ST. purchased by James and Denise Evans from Robert and Marjorie Turner for \$140,000.

10 FOSTER AVE. purchased by Joyce and Richard Lindsay from Joyce and Richard Lindsay for \$108,500.

NEW BOSTON ST. L-1C purchased by Robert Stanley from Joseph Maggiore, Tr for ARM RT for \$130,000.

Should you do-it-yourself or hire a contractor?

Let's face it, not everyone has the time or inclination to do a remodeling job on their own.

Maybe you want to do the demolition work, but would rather have an installer lay your new floor. Perhaps you are good at plumbing, but don't necessarily want to replace kitchen cabinets. Painting and wallpapering could be your forte, but electrical wiring is something you would rather leave to a professional.

That's why it's important to decide before beginning a renovation project whether to do it yourself, hire a contractor, or perhaps do a little of both.

Before making up your mind which way to go, begin with a to-do list, jotting down which projects you feel comfortable doing, skills you need to brush up on, and how much time you can devote to finishing it. Remember that it's very important to be honest about your abilities.

Back to "School"

If you plan on doing the work yourself, but lack confidence, you may want to brush up on basic skills by attending a free in store clinic offered at Home Depot stores. Classes which change on a month-to-month schedule are a great way to learn about products and get project information at the same time.

"It's always fun when do-it-yourselfers get together," said Chris Carter, of The Home Depot. "Everyone from the beginner to the pro, can get questions answered and learn step-by-step how to dive into a job using time-tested tips."

In deciding whether to have a contractor, you should also ask yourself how quickly you need the project completed. Hiring a contractor may help you meet a deadline which may not be met

if you were doing the entire job yourself.

Next, look at your budget. Doing the project yourself can free up money and enable you to invest the savings to better materials and tools. But remember a do-it-yourself project done incorrectly could end up costing more in the long run.

Your ideal arrangement may lie somewhere in the middle. For example, you might act as general contractor, hiring subcontractors to do whatever you are unable to complete yourself.

What it costs

Labor is a highly variable expense, affected by the cost of living in your area, how busy that contractor is and the complexity of the work.

As a rule of thumb, you will pay an additional one-third to one-half of the material cost for installation. But remember that this ratio usually applies to the overall project, not each individual part.

Some labor-intensive jobs, such as tile setting, have a much higher installation-to-material ratio than for example, hooking up a sink. And economizing on materials doesn't always significantly reduce installation expenses. You will usually find, for example, that it costs virtually the same to install a basic light fixture as a top-of-the-line model, said Carter.

Although installers are not store employees, The Home Depot has independent contractors who are available, should you decide not to do the work yourself. Project installations vary by region, so it's best to call the store to see if your remodeling job can be done by one of their experts.

An equipped tool box the perfect holiday gift

Agonizing over that "perfect gift" for your spouse? Why not give the perfect tool box-complete with all of the tools you'll need for those odd jobs around the house.

After more than 20 years in the construction business, Home Depot's Mike Kivett admits that equipping the perfect toolbox may prove to be a challenge.



"A tool box is no different from a lot of things-beauty is in the eye of the beholder," said Kivett. "A perfect tool box for one do-it-yourselfer may not be exactly right for the next one. For example, many times husbands and wives have different ideas about tools, such as how many to buy and how much to pay for them. A lot also depends on the skill level and enthusiasm for do-it-yourself projects."

Undaunted, Kivett made the following recommendations for the perfect tool box which is designed to handle a wide range of household projects-from hanging a ceiling fan to fixing a toilet to installing mini blinds.

"This is for the home improvement Jack or Jill of all trades but the master of none," said Kivett.

His choices for tools include:

- 8-inch adjustable wrench
- 4-in-1 screwdriver
- Channel lock pliers (3-piece set)
- Vise Grip pliers
- 14-inch pipe wrench
- Small-nut driver set
- 13-piece Allen wrench set
- 16-inch power lock ruler
- Utility knife
- Square rule
- Socket wrench set
- 6-volt flashlight with battery
- Roll of electrical tape
- 19-inch tool box with three drawers containing a removable tray.

"Most customers aren't interested in brand names unless they're buying expensive power tools," said Kivett. "Women tend to be independent thinkers when it comes to buying tools, while men typically are looking more for tools that last a long time, so they're willing to spend a little more."

Adding a power drill is usually the first upgrade to a tool box. For small projects, Kivett recommends a drill kit containing about 50 pieces, featuring a 3/8-inch drill/driver and 2-speed cordless power source.

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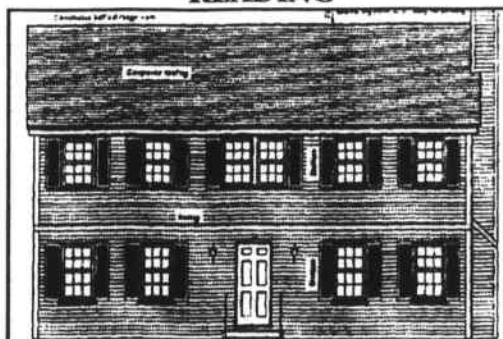
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School committee members were discussing the pros and cons of the feasibility of installing seatbelts in the school busses. The chairman spotted a veteran school bus driver in the audience so, asked if he would give his expert opinion on the matter. The bus driver got up

slowly from his chair, (a bandaged right ear plainly visible) and said, "Seatbelts would be fine on MOST buses I guess. BUT on my bus, STRAIGHT-JACKETS would be a lot better!"

George Gould told his doctor, "I keep having these dreams, where a dozen Bikini clad Bathing Beauties are chasing me "BUT," never catch me." The doctor said, "I'll give you something that will stop those dreams." "WHAT?" George exclaimed, "I don't want the dreams stopped, I want you to give me something that will make me run SLOWER!"

General Norman Schwarzkopf said, "I remember

in Desert Storm, I would give an order and ten thousand men and women would obey it instantly. Now that I'm retired I called for a plumber last week and he hasn't shown up yet."

Last week, a man carrying a tool box rang Paul Rao's doorbell and told Paul, "I'm here to fix your water leak, I'm the plumber." "But," Paul exclaimed, "I didn't call for a plumber!" "Aren't you, Mr. Matthews?" "No," Paul replied, "Mr. Matthews moved away a year ago." Well! the man shouted, "don't know about people these days, Mr. Matthews called an emergency, then, he ups and moves away!"

I didn't know that. Paul Anka

wrote the song, "My Way," and Frank Sinatra made it famous.

My cousin Angelo Quaganti's father encouraged him to be thrifty, save five pennies and get a nickel, save five nickels and get a quarter. Then, Angelo was told to deposit the quarters in the Big Red Bank down the cellar. Angelo found out years later that the Big Red Bank was the GAS METER. (of course, almost "ALL" you readers don't remember them).

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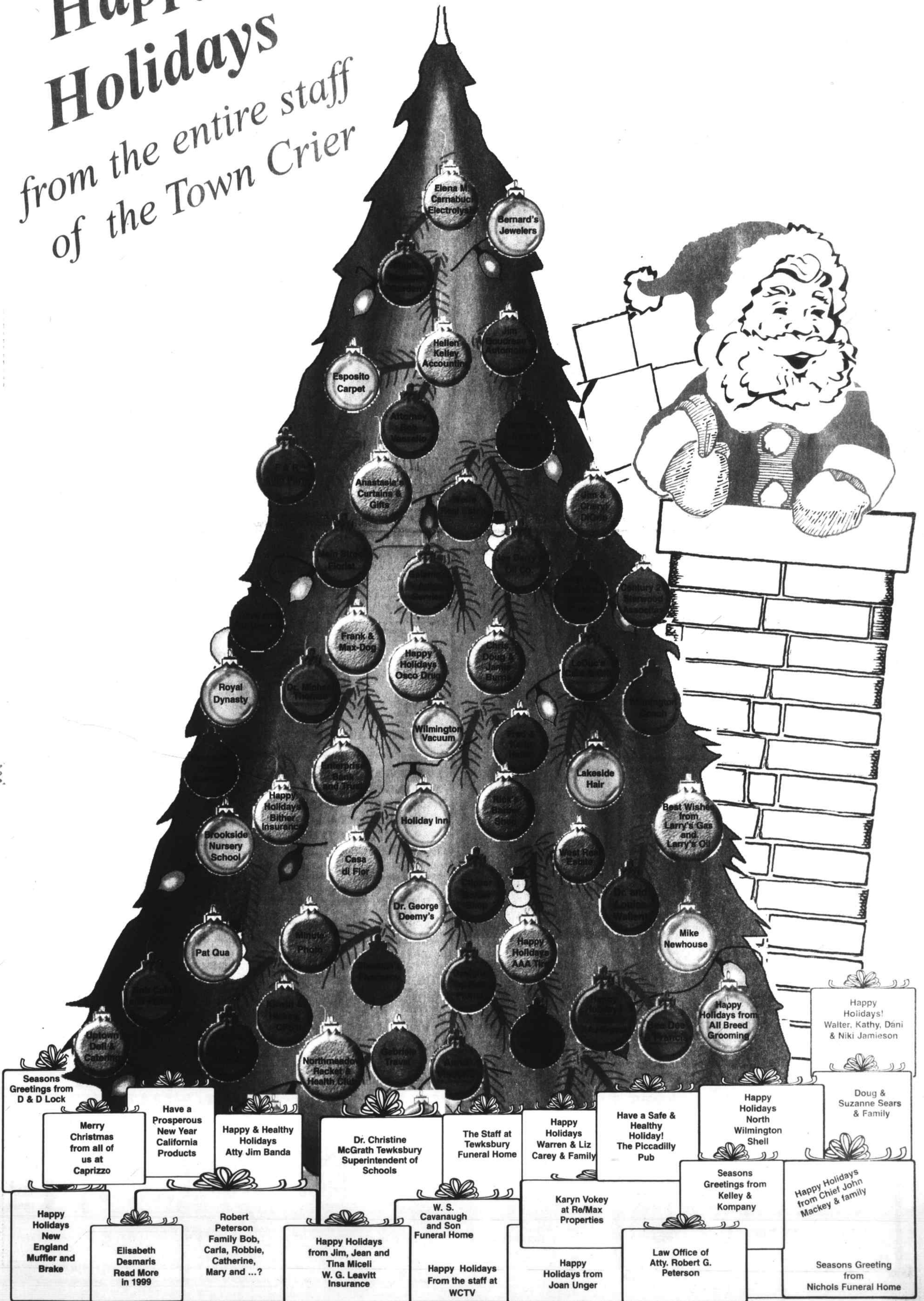
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Tewksbury Police Log

Tuesday, December 15

David S. Miguel, 22, Lowell, was arrested for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, operating with a revoked/suspended registration, and operating an uninsured vehicle.

Lydia Rocha, 45, Lowell, was arrested on a warrant.

Wednesday, December 16

A caller reported that a man in a small red car parked at a Main Street coffee shop was indecently exposed.

Hit and run accidents were reported on DeCarolis Drive and on Shawsheen and French streets.

A detail officer called the station saying that a man was stepping out into traffic on Livingston Street. Other officers were unable to locate the man.

Police were called to a domestic dispute going on at a South Street residence.

A fight was seen on Main Street. A car was stolen from outside of a Main Street business.

One caller spotted a shoplifter fleeing a Main Street store in a white car. The license plates on the car turned out to be stolen.

Thursday, December 17

A boy was injured when a woman reportedly struck him with her car on Main Street. The woman then drove the boy home and left.

Some compact discs were stolen from a car on Pleasant Street.

Santos Elias Cruz, 25, Somerville, was arrested for being a disorderly person and resisting arrest.

Joseph H. Mercer, Jr., 20, Tewksbury, was arrested on a warrant.

Friday, December 18

A cellular phone was missing from a vehicle on Sesame Street.

Noisy youths were reported on South Street.

An unwanted guest was removed from a Main Street function hall.

Shawn Cuniff, 26, Tewksbury, was arrested on a warrant.

Saturday, December 19

A fight on Main Street ended with a knife injury to a person's ear.

Traffic stops on Main Street led to two arrests.

A loose pit bull terrier on Patriot Road reportedly nipped at a child.

A vehicle was damaged on Old Boston Road.

An intoxicated man was reported creating a disturbance in a Lake Street yard.

Police were called to tend to an argument on Quail Run.

Brian Mullen, 18, Lowell, was arrested on a warrant.

Robert E. Dunn, 27, Salem, NH, was arrested for OUI, failure to keep right with view obstructed, and refusing to give name/address

to police.

Sunday, December 20

A loud party on Villa Roma Drive was quieted down.

One caller said that a group of people outside at a Main Street motel drunk and being disorderly.

Two motor vehicle stops on Main Street led to three arrests.

A shoplifter fled a Main Street business. No one was sure of exactly what was taken.

A pocketbook was reported stolen on Hazelwood Avenue extension.

A drill was shoplifted from a Main Street business.

James Dodd, 18, and David Lavita, 18, both of Tewksbury, were arrested for being minors in possession of alcohol.

Frank Bonanno, 36, Tewksbury, was arrested for illegal possession of a Class D substance.

Eric M. Hatfield, 27, Lowell, was arrested for OUI, illegal possession of a Class D substance, failure to stop for police, and failure to keep to the right.

Monday, December 21

One caller complained that a vehicle was tearing up lawns on Farwood Road.

Patrick O'Brien, 19, Tewksbury, was arrested on a warrant.

Chhon Vor, 40, Lowell, was arrested on a warrant.

Wilmington Police Log

Monday, December 14th

Carmen S. Favozza, 22, Woburn was arrested for operating after suspension.

A needle was found on Church Street.

Robert Doane, 22, Woburn will be summoned into court for driving to police officer, speeding, and operating after revocation.

Tuesday, December 15th

Michael Fournier, 17, Wilmington was arrested for malicious damage to property.

Larry Sheldon, 46, Somerville was arrested for OUI.

Wednesday, December 16th

Daniel J. McGuire, 31, Billerica

was arrested for operating after suspension, and operating after registration revocation.

An accident was reported on Andover Street.

Brad Baker, 20, Tewksbury was arrested for operating after suspension, and possession of a class D substance.

Patrick Mallon, 20, Wilmington was arrested on a warrant.

Thursday, December 17th

A vehicle went onto the grass at the Roman House. The operator agreed to make restitution for the damage done.

Friday, December 18th

An accident was reported on Middlesex Ave.

Saturday, December 19th

Lawrence Callinan, 39, Wilmington was arrested for OUI.

Robert Carrol, 30, Wilmington will be summoned to court for OUI as a result of an accident on Boutwell Street.

Francine Wilson, 36, Pelham, NH was arrested for OUI.

Sunday, December 20th

Alexander F. Roscillo, 17, Wilmington was arrested for possession of a class D substance.

An accident was reported on Main Street.

A stolen motor vehicle was recovered on School Street Extension.

Local businessman arrested

By FRANK J. AMATO

TEWKSBURY - The owner of a Wilmington restaurant was arrested Friday by Tewksbury Police after a 6 month investigation.

Shawn Cuniff, 26, of 99 Merrimack Meadow Lane, Tewksbury and the owner of Sunnyside

Cafe in Wilmington was arrested without incident.

Cuniff was charged with fraudulent use of a credit card, larceny by false pretenses, and uttering a forged document.

A search of both his residence and restaurant yielded evidence

with involved forged property deeds and forged loan applications.

Mr. Cuniff was released on personal recognizance and is due back in court on February 3, 1999.

Tewksbury Police Lt. Dennis Peterson stated that further complaints are expected and the investigation is ongoing.

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